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CLEARING HOUSES DOMINATE BANKS

Bankers at Money Trust Investigation Tell of Tyrannical Methods

MD. BANK DENIED ADMISSION

Baltimore Clearing House Declined to Admit State Institution Because It Would Not Abide by Collection Rule

Washington, December 9.—Clearing house domination of banking institutions was the subject of the first day's examination of witnesses in the House Banking and Currency Committee's investigation of the so-called money trust today. Eleven bankers, representing institutions in Pittsburg, Philadelphia, Baltimore and New York, testified. Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the committee, in conducting the examination, endeavored to show that there was a general movement among clearing houses to impose on banks a rule endorsing the collection of commissions on out-of-town checks collected by banks. In this connection he ascertained that the Baltimore Clearing House declined to admit the State Bank of Maryland to membership because as a clearing member it would not abide by the clearing house rule enforcing such collections.

From the Pittsburg bankers, Mr. Untermyer elicited that a suit was pending in the courts to prevent the enforcement of a rule for collecting commission on out-of-town checks which was adopted in conjunction with clearing houses in Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus. The Melton National Farmers' Deposit and Lincoln National Bank, of Pittsburg, declined to accept the rule and now are seeking an injunction to prevent its operation.

Robert W. Wardrop, president of the Pittsburg Clearing House Association, told the committee that the collection of out-of-town checks, free of charge, did not embarrass the banks financially, but that the imposition of a rate of exchange was for the purpose of "increasing the earnings."

Mr. Untermyer placed in the record the rules of the Clearing House Association of Salt Lake City, which prescribed an iron-bound series of regulations governing the charges to be made by its members for practically every service performed for a depositor.

A. C. Knox, of Pittsburg, president of the Melton National Bank, declared these rules practically took control of the bank out of the hands of its officers.

The operation of the clearing house section of the American Bankers' Association was described by C. A. Pugsley, of New York, formerly a member of the executive committee of the association.

He said the section embraced about 120 of the 200 or more clearing houses in the country. It had made no effort, he said, to prescribe rules for its members in connection with the conduct of their business.

A general defense of the clearing house system of banking, and a decided stand against government regulation of clearing houses were made today by Waldo Newcomer, manager of the Baltimore Clearing House.

The committee took up the clearing house situation in Baltimore. Representatives of two banks which had refused conditional membership in the association appeared. Manager Newcomer explained that the banks were not to be bound by the rules of the association as to out-of-town check exchange charges and to other rates, and would be in a position to compete at an advantage with the other members of the association, bound by the rules.

In a prolonged discussion with Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the committee, Mr. Newcomer declared that clearing houses throughout the country were beneficial institutions and that any attempt at government regulation hampered their efforts.

Each Senator and Representative would be called upon to file a statement showing the pecuniary interest of himself or family in any banking, loaning or brokerage business, under a resolution introduced today by Representative Lindbergh, of Minnesota.

The resolution says the Senate Committee on Finance and the House Committee on Banking and Currency have memberships mostly made up of bankers and bankers' lawyers and "controlled by those directly, personally and financially interested in that class of legislation," and "to a greater or less extent, many other Senators and Representatives are similarly interested."

When the committee adjourned for the day W. R. Frew, president of the New York Clearing House Association, was sworn. His examination will begin tomorrow's session.

Fresno, Cal., December 9.—The Sunset express, westbound on the Southern Pacific, is reported to have been held up tonight near Taft, Kern county. Twenty thousand dollars is said to have been obtained by the robbers, who mortally wounded an express messenger.

WORKS FLAYS BULL MOOSE

California Senator, In Speaking for Single Six-year Presidential Term, Attacks T. R's Relations With Perkins

Library of Congress

Washington, December 10.—In a speech today in the Senate upon his resolution for a constitutional amendment that would provide a single six-year Presidential term, Senator Works, of California, indentified since his entry into the Senate with the Progressive Republican faction, made a strong criticism of Theodore Roosevelt and the Progressive party for their affiliation with George W. Perkins and other representatives of large corporations.

Senator Works declared that both Roosevelt and Taft deserved defeat. He asserted that Roosevelt, when President, had withheld action against the Harvester Trust with the natural result that Mr. Perkins had been one of the chief Roosevelt backers in the fight this year for the Progressive nomination; and, with equal emphasis he declared that President Taft had "lost the respect and good will of many good people by going upon the stump against Col. Roosevelt." The attack upon Roosevelt came in connection with Senator Works' assertion that the President's office had been used to prevent adverse action against corporations.

"We are not without evidence of the effect of such action on succeeding elections," said Senator Works. "The great Harvester Trust, one of the worst and most oppressive of its kind, was signally favored by Mr. Roosevelt when President, in this respect. It was not prosecuted for violations of the Sherman anti-trust law because Roosevelt ordered otherwise. What was the natural result? When Roosevelt again became a candidate George W. Perkins became his ardent supporter and chief financial backer. Perkins was largely interested in the Harvester Trust. Perkins knew by actual demonstration that his company would be safe against just prosecution if Roosevelt were elected, unless he should change his mind. And he would much less likely change his views if the Harvester Trust or its stockholders should lend him their support.

"I am not saying that Mr. Roosevelt acted out of improper motives in dealing with the Harvester Trust or the Steel Trust. He may have been perfectly satisfied that the course taken by him was the proper and just course. I call attention to these instances of Presidential favor and what followed them, as illustrating the power that exists in the hands of a President in his first term, to secure his election to a second term."

Facts brought out in the Senatorial investigation of campaign expenditures were cited by Senator Works to show the extent to which "trusts and their millionaire stockholders" had contributed to campaign contributions. He declared that "privilege seeking corporations support the public official who will grant them privileges."

"The investigation of campaign contributions lately has expressed some of the darkest pages of the political history of the country," he continued. "It has revealed the unpleasant facts that the money used for campaign purposes, both by Republicans and Democrats in past years was supplied almost wholly by men interested in the large corporations that were amenable to punishment under the anti-trust law.

"The new Progressive party was

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YESTERDAY IN CONGRESS

Senate

Convened at noon.

Senator Overman introduced joint resolution authorizing a joint inauguration committee of six members.

Judiciary Committee informally considerd President Taft's judicial appointments.

Senator Works spoke advocating his resolution for a single six-year Presidential term.

President Taft transmitted report of Economy and Efficiency Commission, recommending radical changes in patent office procedure.

Court of impeachment resumed trial of Judge Robert W. Archbald at 1:30 P. M.

House

Convened at noon.

Resumed consideration of Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill.

Democratic members of the Ways and Means Committees set first week in January date for hearings on proposed tariff revision.

Banking and Currency subcommittee resumed hearings in "money trust" investigation, Chairman Pujo making statement repudiating reports as to committee's intentions.

Representative Allen introduced resolution proposing general investigation of the canning industry.

Representative Lindberg introduced resolution to require each Senator and Representative to file statements showing his pecuniary interest in any banking, loaning or brokerage business.

WILSON DECLINES ALL INVITATIONS

Two Jobs Enough to Keep any Man Busy, Without Speaking, He Says

NO DEFINITE PLANS MADE

Selections for Cabinet Offices Have Been In His Mind but President-elect Has Formed No Conclusions

Halimton, Bermuda, December 9.—"Being Governor of a State and preparing to be President of a nation, both at the same time, is enough to keep a man busy," remarked President-elect Wilson today when he announced he positively would make no more speaking engagements before March 4th. Every mail has brought him scores of invitations. All have been declined.

The President-elect accepted three invitations long before he was elected and these he will keep. He will speak before the Southern Society of New York, December 17th, the day after his return from Burmuda; at the jubilee celebration at his birthplace, Staunton, Va., on his birthday, December 28th, and at the banquet of the Commercial Club of Chicago, January 11th.

Mr. Wilson has entered upon hisfinal week in Bermuda with a zest for work born of three solid weeks of recreation. He has now practically ended his vacation and intends henceforth to work most of each day on political problems. Asked what his plans would be immediately after his return to New York, the Governor said:

"I really have not any plans. Most of the men with whom I shall consult were so considerate that they did not write me and I am ignorant of their plans also."

Mr. Wilson added that even the date or place for an engagement with William J. Bryan had not definitely been fixed.

"I simply wrote Mr. Bryan," said the Governor, "that I wanted to meet and talk with him after my return. You see a great many of the men whom I shall see will be occupied with work in the opening of Congress and I shall have to consult their convenience."

As to the personnel of his cabinet, the President-elect admitted that much of his mail contained letters commendatory of various persons.

"Of course, selections have been running through my head," he added, but I have formed no conclusions."

"Do you think you will make your cabinet before leaving Bermuda?" asked one of the correspondents.

"If I do," was the laughing reply, "I would have to make it out of hard cider, because that's the only cabinet material I can see here."

The Governor will leave here on the steamer Bermudian next Saturday morning and is due in New York Monday. He said he would go direct to his home in Princeton.

"I want to help Mrs. Wilson unpack," he said, "and get household things settled again."

J. M. ROSENBLATT DEAD

Popular Citizen of Greensboro Victim Of Ptomaine Poisoning

Greensboro, N. C., December 9.—J. M. Rosenblatt died here yesterday from the effects of ptomaine poisoning and complications which developed since Friday. He was not regarded as dangerously ill until just a short time before his death. The funeral will be held this afternoon, services being conducted by Rev. Thomas G. Faulkner, rector of Holy Trinity church, and the interment being in charge of local Odd Fellows. The deceased was 44 years of age and leaves a wife and six children, four by a first marriage and two from a union with Miss Mary K. Ashley, of this city, in 1909.

For years Mr. Rosenblatt was in the jewelry business here, but for the past several years has been in charge of a local automobile agency and garage. He was a man of exceptional attainments, splendid qualities and a wholesouled and always jovial companion.

FATHER KILLS SON.

A. R. Davis, Confederate Veteran, Aged 75, Shoots Hewlett Davis.

Dalton, Ga., Dec. 9.—Despite the efforts of his daughter to secure possession of the shotgun, A. R. Davis, aged 75, shot and killed his son, Hewlett Davis, near here today. Since separating from his wife two months ago Davis is said to have ordered his son to stay away from the father's residence. The killing resulted when Hewlett Davis entered the home today. Davis is a Confederate veteran. He is under arrest, charged with murder.

Washington, December 9.—Permanent suspension of increased freight rates on cotton seed products from Oklahoma points to destinations in the Southwest and on edible tallow from Oklahoma points to Louisville, Ky., Cincinnati, Ohio, and Hammond, Ind., as transfer points, was ordered today by the Inter-State Commerce Commission. The proposed rates were found to be unreasonable and discriminatory.

PLANS FOR INAUGURATION

Chairman McCombs Confers With Democratic Leaders—Will Announce the Committee Today —Vick Secretary ?

Washington, December 9.—Two days of conferences between Chairman William F. McCoombs, of the Democratic National Committee, and party leaders in and out of Congress ended late today, when Mr. McCombs left for New York. He stated that he would make public there tomorrow the personnel of the inaugural committee which wil have charge of preparations for the display connected with President-elect Wilson's induction into office.

Mr. McCombs lunched today with Charles D. Hilles, President Taft's secretary and chairman of the Republican National Committee, and later conferred at the capitol with Speaker Clark, Representative Oscar W. Underwood, Senators Stone and Gore and other Democrats. While it was stated that these conferences concerned inauguration plans, it is understood general political matters also were touched upon.

Cabinet speculation followed Mr. McCombs about the capital yesterday and today, but the Democratic chairman asserted before he left Washington tonight that his visit had nothing to do with cabinet appointments or prospective legislation in the next Congress. In the dozen or more informal conferences Mr. McCombs has had, however, it is understood that both subjects have been touched upon, and that Mr. McCombs is prepared to give President-elect Wilson, when he reaches New York from Bermuda, valuable information as to the opinions of Democratic leaders.

The conference with Speaker Clark and Oscar W. Underwood, Democratic leader of the House, took place in the Speaker's office. The three men were together for a half hour, the inaugural committe selections being under consideration most of that time. It is believed that of the several candidates for the post of chairman of the inaugural committee Eldridge E. Jordan, of Washington, is likely of appointment; Walker W. Vick, of New Jersey, may be the secretary and William Edwards, street commissioner of New York, the grand marshal for the parade.

SCHOONER BADLY DAMAGED.

Ida L. Robinson Strikes Sunken Barge. Is Leaking Badly.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 9.—The schooner Ida L. Robinson, Capt. J. R. Samson, of Baltimore, bound in to Norfolk to load lumber, ran afoul of the sunken barge Bangor yesterday and as a result is lying tied to the dock at Atlantic City leaking badly. It was said today that it required 600 strokes per hour of her No. 2 pump to keep her afloat just after the accident.

The cause of the accident is said to be that the tug Underwriter, which was supposed to have covered the wreck with two red lights, was about 1,000 yards away from the true position and the captain of the schooner had no idea he was near the sunken hulk until his vessel struck.

Sheridan, Wyo., Dec. 9.—Henry A. Coffen, aged 71, a member of the 53rd Congress and the only Democrat that ever represented Wyoming in Congress, died suddenly Sunday evening at his home here. Dr. H. P. Holmes, while attending Mr. Coffen, was himself stricken with paralysis and is dangerously ill.

OUTLINES

Sessions of the Panama Canal conference will begin at Atlanta today.

Great Britain's formal protest against the tolls provisions of the recently enacted Panama canal bill, was received at the State Department yesterday.

Testimony was elicited from bankers at the "Money Trust" investigation yesterday tending to show that the banking institutions of the country were dominated by the clearing houses.

Chairman Wm. F. McCombs closed a two days' conference with Democratic leaders in Washington yesterday, and will announce the personnel of the inauguration committee today.

As being Governor of a State and preparing to be President is enough to keep any man busy, as he says, Woodrow Wilson has declined to make any more speaking engagements before March 4th.

B. R. Tillman, Jr., and Mrs. Lucy Dugas, formerly his wife, will share the custody of their two children, according to a decision by the South Carolina Supreme Court, handed down yesterday.

At a meeting of the Democratic members of the Ways and Means Committee yesterday, it was decided to make a thorough revision of the tariff, schedule by schedule, and to this end the committee will hold hearings three times a week, beginning January 6th.

James Rittenhouse, a mining engineer, testified at the Archbald trial yesterday that the coal in the Katydid culm dump was worth $35,000 to the Erie Railroad, instead of the $4,500 for which they agreed to give an option to E. J. Williams, the business associate of Judge Archbald.

New York markets: Money on call steady, 5 to 6 per cent; closing bid 5; offered at 5 1-4; ruling rate 6. Spot cotton closed quiet. Flour quiet and lower. Wheat easy; No. 2 red 1.06 and 1.07. Corn weak, 53 1-2. Turpentine and rosin quiet

BRITAIN'S FORMAL PROTEST RECEIVED

Document Claims Panama Canal Act Violates Hay-Pauncefote Treaty

CAN'T EXEMPT U. S. SHIPPING

This Section of Law is Especially Objectionable to Johnny Bull—President Taft May Settle the Matter.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Great Britain's formal note of protest against that section of the Panama canal act which exempts American coastwise shipping from payment of tolls for passing through the Panama canal, a document written by Sir Edw. Grey, Minister for Foreign Affairs, was presented to Secretary of State Knox tonight by the British ambassador.

James Bryce read the note, word for word, to the secretary at the latter's home. It is an elaboration of the points of objection in the note presented to the State Department last July. In brief, these objections are:

"That while it was clearly in violation of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty either to remit or to refund tolls on all American shipping using the canal, the same objection probably would apply to the coastwise trade shipping in view of the probable impossibility of framing regulations that would not result in a preference to American shipping."

In addition to supporting these points by long arguments, Sir Edward Grey indicates very clearly that strong resistance will be offered to attempt to exclude from the canal British ships owned by Canadian railroads or whose owners may be guilty of violating the Sherman anti-trust act. He holds that this section of the act cannot apply to British shipping, but only to United States vessels.

He also indicates in his note that underlying the objection to the exemption from toll of American coastwise ships is an apprehension that in the future the principle might be extended to cover Americans ships in the foreign trade.

Otherwise the note is devoted almost entirely to an effort to demonstrate that any such exemption of American shipping as is proposed is in direct conflict with the terms of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty and that President Taft was clearly wrong when he took the contrary view. Generally, the British note might be summed up as a clear definition of the differences between the two governments regarding the construction of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, winding up with a proposal that the issues should be settled by arbitration provided that they cannot be adjusted by mutual agreement for which a way remains open.

Secretary Knox listened attentively to the reading of the note and promised to take the matter under careful consideration which would require some time. It has been strongly intimated in official circles, however, that it was the President's intention to settle this important question during his administration either by recommendation that the Senate agree to submit it to arbitration, or preferably by the more direct means of an agreement between the two nations referred to in today's British note.

The ambassador was accompanied by Mr. Inner, the counsellor and first secretary of the embassy, and in reading the entire British note to the secretary, he followed the instructions of Sir Edward Grey.

Sir Edward begins his note with the statement that the President does not fully appreciate the British point of view and has misunderstood even the note of July 8th. He says the British government does not seek to prevent the United States from granting subsidies to its own shipping passing through the canal, nor seek to deprive the United States of any liberty which is open to either themselves or to any other Nation to encourage its own shipping or own commerce by subsidies. The purpose of the United States in negotiating the Hay-Pauncefote treaty was to recover their freedom of objection and obtain the right which they had surrendered in the Clayton-Bulwer treaty to construct the canal themselves.

But this complete liberty of action was to be limited by the maintenance of the complete principle of equal treatment for both English and United States ships. The word "neutralization" in the preamble of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty is not confined to belligerent operations, but refers to the system of equal rights for which this article provides. Joint protection and equal treatment are the only matters alluded to, to which that neutralization must refer. "It certainly was not the intention of the United States government," says Sir Edward, "that any responsibility for the protection of the canal should attach to them in the future."

Neutralization therefore, must refer to the system of equal rights."

The note then declares that the situation created by the substitution of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty for the "Clayton-Bulwer" treaty was identical with that resulting from the boundary waters treaty of 109 between Great Britain and the United States, which in brief provides that the boundary waters should be free

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COAL WORTH $35,000, HE SAYS

Mining Engineer Testifies That Katydid Dump Was Worth That Amount to Erie—Gave Option for $4,500.

Washington, Dec. 9.—James Rittenhouse, of Scranton, Pa., an expert mining engineer who surveyed the Katydid Culm dump at Scranton under the direction of Wrisley Brown, of the Department of Justice, testified today in the impeachment trial of Judge Robert W. Archbald, of the Commerce Court, that the Erie Railroad should have got $35,000 for the coal out of the refuse, instead of the $4,500 for which they agreed to give an option to E. J. Williams, the business associate of Judge Archbald.

The testimony of Mr. Rittenhouse came at the conclusion of a day in which there had been few developments. He said he had been employed by Brown without knowing whom the latter represented or that his work was in connection with a government investigation. Judge Archbald's attorney, A. S. Worthington, objected to the questions by Representative Floyd, as to the value of coal, but Senator Bacon, the presiding officer, did not sustain the objection.

"What would the coal in that dump have been worth to the Erie Railroad Company?" asked Representative Floyd.

"It would have been worth $47,573 at the breakers," said Mr. Rittenhouse. "Leaving out the question of freight it would have been worth $35,000 to the Erie Railroad."

The testimony of the mining engineer was introduced by the House managers in the effort to show that through Judge Archbald's influence, E. J. Williams had obtained the option for the Erie's share of the dump for much less than its value.

Evidence designed to refute that previously given by E. J. Williams as to his knowledge of the cases pending before the Commerce Court, involving the Erie Railroad, was presented through the medium of George F. Snyder, clerk of the Commerce Court. Mr. Williams had testified that Judge Archbald did not tell him the so-called "lighterage cases", involving the Erie were pending; but that he had seen papers on Judge Archbald's desk, with the word "Lighterage" on them and had asked about the cases.

Mr. Snyder produced all of the briefs, complaints, and dockets that might have been involved to show that the word "lighterage" did not appear on any of them.

The positive statement that he had been offered an option to participate in an interest in the Katydid culm dump by Williams in the office of Judge Archbald several days after Judge Archbald informed him that Williams had no authority to sell, was made by Thomas J. Jones, of Scranton. The statement was brought out during the cross examination by Representative Webb, of North Carolina, on the part of the House managers.

The witness declared that Williams had offered to sell his interest in the dump for $25,000 and accompanied him to the office of Judge Archbald. There, said Mr. Jones, Archbald told him that Williams had no right to sell any part of the dump.

"Several days later," said Mr. Jones, I went to Judge Archbald's office and there an option was given me to purchase Williams' interest for $25,000."

"Did you think Judge Archbald drew that option?" asked Representative Webb.

"I did," replied Jones.

The House managers will place C. G. Boland, of Scranton, on the stand tomorrow.

SUBMARINE B-3 ASHORE

Stuck Fast In the Sands of Lynn Haven Bay—No One Aboard

Norfolk, Va., December 9.—Submarine torpedo boat B-3 is ashore in Lynn Haven Bay and several ships, including the battleship New Hampshire and cruiser Montgomery, are standing by. B-3 went ashore early today when heavy seas and a northwest gale parted the hawser by which she was being towed to Norfolk by the tug Osceola. She was driven ashore between Lynn Haven inlet and Cape Henry and despite the fact that repeated efforts were made to float her, she is still stuck in the sand.

Naval officers deny reports that there are men on board the stranded craft. It is said that the little boat was enroute to Norfolk from Charleston and that her crew were on the Osceola.

FLYNN NOW FAVORITE

Ten to 8 on Pueblo Firemen In Bout With McCarthy

Los Angeles, Cal., December 9.—A flood of Flynn money was turned loose today and the Pueblo fireman, who a few days ago was a short ender in the betting on his fight with Luther McCarty tomorrow night, became a 10 to 8 favorite.

It was announced that the fireman would go into the ring at 190.

As McCarty is expected to weigh between 202 and 205 the weight handicap against Flynn will not be so heavy as at first thought.

Washington, December 9.—The common towel was ordered abolished from railroad cars, vessels, all other inter-State vehicles and from stations, by Secretary MacVeagh, of the Treasury Department, today in an amendment to the inter-State quarantine regulation. The decision follows closely the abolition of the common drinking cup from use in inter-State carries. Towels may be used again only after having been sterilized in boiling water.

TARIFF REVISION TO BE THOROUGH

Ways and Means Committee Will Have Hearings Three Times a Week

WILL BEGIN WORK JAN. 6TH.

Revision Will Be Made, Schedule by Schedule and Democrats Hope to Complete Hearings Within The Month

Washington, December 9.—Thorough revision, schedule by schedule, of the present tariff law by the next Congress was indicated by the decision of Democratic members of the House Ways and Means Committee today to have hearings on the tariff every Monday, Wednesday and Friday in January, beginning January 6th. It is expected to devote one day to each schedule, though if necessary two days will be allowed. There are 14 schedules, but by merging two or three of the minor schedules with the adjoining important ones, the committee expected to get through with the hearings by the end of January. The schedules will be considered in their regular sequence in the present tariff law.

The action of the Democrats of the committee designed to seek light for guidance in framing the tariff revision, will be ratified at a meeting of the full committee tomorrow morning. The first hearing on January 6th will be on schedule A, fixing the duties on chemicals, oils and paints, including medicinal preparations containing alcohol or in whose preparation alcohol is used, perfumery, medicated soaps, etc. Then will follow on January 8th, the hearing on the earthenware and glassware schedule. The sequence of the other schedules in this Monday, Wednesday and Friday programme follows:

Schedule C, metals and manufactures of; D, wood and manufactures of; E, sugar, molasses and manufactures of; F, tobacco and manufactures of; G, agricultural products and provisions; H, spirits, wines and other beverages; I, cotton manufactures; J, flax, hemp and jute and other manufactures; K, wool and manufactures; L, silks and silk goods; M, pulp, paper and books; N, sundries, beads, buttons, brushes, coal, bark dolls, chains, gloves, paintings, flowers, umbrellas and parasols, etc.

One day at the end of January will be set aside for a hearing of those interested in the free list and the administrative features of the proposed tariff legislation.

There was incidental reference to the form of revision, whether as a general bill or in separate bills, dealing individually with schedules, but there was no serious discussion on this point. The matter will be left to future decision.

A resolution will be reported by the committee within a few days calling for authority to employ additional expert assistance for the committee in its preliminary work. It is possible that the committee will fill the vacancy in its membership caused by the resignation of Representative Hughes, of New Jersey, before the Christmas holidays, and the caucus of the House Committee is possible before the recess if sufficient members remain in the city to ratify the committee's recommendations for filling the vacancies on several committees.

TAFT GOING TO PANAMA.

President Will Leave Dec. 19, on Final Inspection Tour.

Washington, Dec. 9.—President Taft's plans for a trip to Panama today advanced to a point where December 19th was tentativel selected as the date of starting. It was understood here today that Mr. Taft's intention to visit the isthmus before he goes out of office was influenced partly at least by President-elect Wilson's decision not to do so.

Under the new Panama Canal law the President is charged with the responsibility of putting into effect the new government for the canal zone. It is understood that Mr. Taft would have been glad if Mr. Wilson had determined to make a trip to the canal and perfect the new government after he came into office with a personal inspection of conditions there to assist him. It is now possible that President Taft before he goes out of office, will do it himself.

Secretary Meyer, of the Navy Department, today ordered the new dreadnought Arkansas to be at Key West on December 13th. No date was set for her departure. One other battleship will accompany the Arkansas on the voyage. It will probably be the Delaware.

PORT ORGANIZATION.

Development Will be Undertaken Along Seaboard and the Gulf.

New York, Dec. 9.—Developments of port organization and uniformity of methods of administration will be undertaken along the Atlantic and Pacific seaboards and in Gulf and Great Lakes harbors by the National Association of Port Authorities, organized here today by port officials and other delegates from many American cities, having water front problems.

NATIONAL DIRECTORS MEET

League Officials Decide to Allow Bresnahan's Claim Against St. Louis Club to be Arbitrated—Several Trades.

New York, Dec. 9.—The claim of Roger Bresnahan against the St. Louis club, for alleged breach of contract, probably will be settled by an arbitration commission in St. Louis. This was the tentative decision of the board of directors of the National League at its meeting here today. Bresnahan and his attorneys appeared before the board and presented the claim. The St. Louis club was represented by President James C. Jones, who also is an attorney. After listening to the arguments for and against Bresnahan's claim for four years' salary, the board suggested some sort of peaceful settlement and the attorneys retired for an hour to discuss terms. On their return the tentative arbitration plan was broached and received the sanction of the directors.

At the meeting of the board tomorrow a more definite plan will be adopted, but it was said in all probability the case would be settled by an arbitration commission in St. Louis, which, under the Missouri laws, would have power to subpoena witnesses and render a decision binding on all parties.

Previous to hearing the Bresnahan claim, the directors decided they had jurisdiction over such cases arising between club owners and players and when the arbitration agreement finally is adopted tomorrow, it will have the approval of the board and its hearings will be under its sanction.

The claim of Umpire Charles Rigler to $2,200 against the Philadelphia club for services in signing Pitcher Rixey, gave the directors an opportunity to go on record as opposed to umpires acting as scouts. The claim of Rigler was placed on file and a hearing probably will be held later this week to decide its merits. Umpire Rigler alleges that he received $300 of $2,500 which the Philadelphia club agreed to pay if he signed Rixey, then a student at the University of Virginia.

At the meeting today Cornelius J. Sullivan, a director of the New York club, was seated as a member of the board in the place of the late John T. Brush.

After the directors' meeting tomorrow afternoon, when the Bresnahan arbitration plan will be considered, the National League magnates will begin their annual meeting. It is expected the first business will be a settlement of the claim of August Herrmann, of Cincinnati, to Joe Tinker, the shortstop of the Chicago club, in exchange for several other players. With the exception of John J. McGraw, every manager is in the city for the league meeting tomorrow and several trades for players are expected.

PANAMA CONFERENCE TODAY.

Influence of Canal's Completion Will be Discussed.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 9.—Sessions of the Panama Canal Conference called to consider the influence the completion of the big waterway will have on the industry of the South will commence here tomorrow. Speakers at the meeting, which will continue through Wednesday, include diplomatic representatives from Central and South American nations, officials of Southern railroad and steamship companies and prominent leaders in the industries of the South.

Members of the arrangements committee for the conference said tonight that while no definite plan for a permanent organization had been made, it was not unlikely that some form of permanent organization would result from the conference, the purpose of which would be to look after the interests of the South in the matter of foreign trade expansion which is expected to result from the canal's opening.

John Barrett, director of the Pan-American Union, will be the first speaker at the conference tomorrow, following speches of welcome by representatives of the city and replies from visiting members of the conference. Mr. Barrett is expected to outline in a general way the changed commercial relations that will ensue with the completion of the waterway.

Eight diplomatic representatives from the Central and South American Republics will arrive here tomorrow, as will most of the steamship and railroad company officials who have accepted invitations to the conference.

REPORT OF ENGINEERS

South River Favored—Major Hale Leaves Washington for Home

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., December 9.—The Secretary of War sent to the House today a favorable report of the Board of Engineers on estimates for improvement on South river, to Idalia and Edenton Bay, and reported unfavorably on the work for Core creek.

Mrs. George Denmark received a telegram today announcing the death of her brother, Rev. Junius Millard, in Atlanta. Mr. Millard is a native of Clinton, and is a brother to Mrs. Judge Stephens, of Asheville.

Major E. J. Hale left for his home today. Major Hale is chairman of the Committee on Nominations of the Rivers and Harbors Congress, one of the most important positions of the congress. As chairman of this committee Major Hale has presided over the congress, a honor that has not been bestowed upon any other man except President Ransdell.

Col. John S. Cunninham, of Roxboro, is in Washington.

Drives Off a Terror.

The chief executioner of death in the Winter and Spring months is pneumonia. Its advance agents are colds and grip. In any attack by one of these maladies no time should be lost in taking the best medicine obtainable to drive it off. Countless thousands have found this to be Dr. King's New Discovery. "My husband believes it has kept him from having pneumonia three or four times," writes Mrs. George W. Place, Rawsonville, Vt., "and for coughs, colds and croup we have never found its equal." Guaranteed for all bronchial affections. Price 50 cts. and $1.00. Trial bottle free at R. R. Bellamy.

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..Theatrical..

When Rowland & Clifford's new play "The Rosary," comes to the Academy Thursday, matinee and night, the discriminating public will be given an opportunity to see pictured before them a decided answer to the growing unrest and irreligion of our times. Not that "The Rosary" is a decision merely; it is more. It is a faithful picture of the misery and unhappiness that surely comes upon man who lacks faith in the supreme good and its unevitable triumphs, in our world.

A typical American family is taken as a fair example of every day conditions that obtain throughout the United States. The husband, a man immersed in business, the exacting business of Wall Street and the Stock Exchange.

Little by little he has fallen away from the faith of his Fathers, that faith that brought our Republic into being. He has replaced it by an agnostic attitude all too prevalent in our day and time. The wife believes, her confidence in an all-wise, all-prevading good has not been shaken; and so when storm and stress comes, the man with no anchor is swept away by the storm of agony; the woman remains steadfast, moored by her faith to outride the tempest.

Through all the heartbreak and tears, through all the agony and anguish, clear and serene, moves the wonderful figure of a modern Catholic Priest whose life has been dedicated to God and the service of his felow men. It is his clear spiritual vision that sees through the web that has been woven about the two people whom he loves and it is his faith and God-given power that sets them free.

It is a wonderful preachment of faith's mighty power, of the saving grace of the good that lies all about us.

The tremendous story, powerful in its simplicity, is interwoven with the higher threads of sanehumor, of the sort that one loves to take away from the theatre and music over in idle moments.

Seats will go on sale at Plummer's tomorrow. The matinee will be of the popular price type—25 and 50 cents.

A Fine Attraction

The Climax, a much discussed play with music the success of two seasons at Weber's and Daly's theatres, New York, will be presented at the Academy, matinee and night Saturday, seats going on sale Friday.

Recently the magazines have reproduced scenes from this very unusual melody drama which gives a practical and impressive demonstration of "auto" or "mental" suggestions by which people are sometimes made to do things contrary to their own desires. The play is from the pen of Edward Locke, author of "The Case of Becky," the new Belasco production in which Frances Starr is now appearing. A musical theme running throughout the piece, is the work of Joseph Carl Breil, composer of the incidental music for Charles Frohmans new American production of Sarah Bernhardt's feature plays.

At the Grand Theatre.

The chill atmosphere of these holiday times possesses no terror for patrons of the comfortable, cozy Grand and each day throngs of amusement seekers are flocking to this pretty little playhouse.

For today Mr. Chick will sing a beautiful waltz ballad, "Just for a Dear Little Girl." The words are pretty, also true, and Mr. Chick will win many new friends with this great number. In the moveys there will be four pictures all told and one of the feature films will be a Vitagraph, "Timid May", and "Darktown Duel". The latter is a roaring comedy in which Eph Johnson and Rastus Simpson fight a duel with watermelons to decide who shall win the hand of a darktown belle. The former is a beautiful story of a timid girl and ranch life in the West. "By the Sea" is a story of the beach and a fisher lad. There is a girl and a tragedy so that interest is kept at fever heat from beginning to end. Be sure to attend the Grand performances today.

At the Bijou.

It was a corking start of the new week that yesterday at the Bijou theatre. The bill was big and so was each audience. Delight was simply immense, and a strong feature was that the audience could enjoy itself in solid comfort. It is especially on account of such that it appeals to the people, no matter the type of weather; no matter how disagreeable.

Today another swell menu has been prepared to set before the folks of Wilmington, and it will, no doubt, tempt them sufficiently to crowd the handsome amusement palace.

A great newspaper film heads today's list in "The Tetville Eye," It tells a story first of staid journalism and then of the throb and the thrill of modern day newspaper work. It carries an exciting plot with it that is bound to prove most attractive.

"The Bag of Gold" is another big one for today and that will thrill and intensely interest. It tells a vivid story of the early gold fever days, and of the wreck of an old American brig. One of the seamen, a young American, manages to escape, floating to shore on a spar, and then he drifts to Los Angeles, having a pile of money, and the adventures he has during the early pioneer days in the Golden West are thrilling, and something decidedly out of the ordinary. The other films for today are all good, and will prove rare treats.

Atlanta, December 9.—Clarence English, a prize fighter, so shocked a pretty telephone girl yesterday, by cursing "something simply awful," over the wires, that he was hailed into police court Saturday and forced to pay a fine of $25.25. The complaint was backed up by the person to whom English was talking over the wire. He denied in court that he had done the swearing, but the recorder was convinced by the evidence, and the fine was allowed to stand.

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PROGRESSIVE CONFERENCE

Roosevelt Asks Illinois Legislators to Carry Out Platform Promises

Chicago, December 9.—"Without trafficking or dickering with the old parties, fight to have our platform principles embodied in the laws of Illinois," was the appeal of Colonel Roosevelt today made to the newly elected Progressive members of the Illinois Legislature, to whom he delivered his first speech at the Progressive conference which opened informally today and will continue over Wednesday. Besides pleading with the Progressives to stand alone in their fight, the former President criticised the Republican organization and said it was of such a character that "no man can be in it."

Formal opening of the conference is not scheduled to take place until tomorrow, but many Progressives, both men and women already are here. The largest single delegation to arrive today came from New York on a special train with Colonel Roosevelt. The colonel was greeted at the railroad station with cheers and shouts of "He can come back."

"I am very glad to have the chance to come out here and say again that we are in the fight to the end and that it is folly for the Republicans to waste time in thinking of any attempt to lure us back into the organization that they have made of such character that 'no honest man can be in it,'" Colonel Rosevelt said in his talk to the Illinois legislators.

"Progressive members of the Legislatures and of Congress have a task of peculiar importance. They should make good as far as possible our platform pledges. Progressive members should introduce all measures we promised in the campaign and try as hard as they know to have them adopted.

"Our opponents now are making loud professions of the lip-loyalty to Progressive principles, so make them 'show up or back up.'

"They say most of our measures are unconstitutional. We are the heirs of the Republicanism of Abraham Lincoln and the Republicans who fought in the Civil War. Lincoln's opponents also said he was trying to pull down the constitution."

He then discussed at length the workmen's compensation and eight-hour laws. "I hope," he said, "that you will put into the laws of Illinois a provision that if the people want certain laws no official, no Governor, Legislature or court shall have the power to prevent them from obtaining those laws."

Seven of the nine National executive committee took part in the deliberations of that body this afternoon and tonight. Judge Ben B. Lindsey, of Denver, was unable to come. William Flynn, of Pittsburg, is expected tomorrow.

Members present at the meetings were United States Senator Joseph M. Dixon, of Montana, chairman; Miss Jane Addams, Chicago; George Priestley, Oklahoma; Charles Thompson, of Vermont; Chauncey Dewey, Illinois; Walter Brown, of Ohio, and George W. Perkins, of New York. Miss Addams will present to the conference tomorrow a report of a sub-committee on a tentative scheme of financing an organization for the Progressive cause.

Breakfast In a Good, Warm Room

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A "warm" breakfast—the kind that sends you out ready braced for a good day's work—should be eaten in a warm room.

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No smoke or smell with a Perfection. Easily cleaned. Easily moved from room to room. An ornament anywhere; a luxury in the bedroom; a necessity in the sewing-room or the bathroom.

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14-INCH GUN EXPLODES.

Blows to Pieces at Sandy Hook, But No One is Hurt.

New York, Dec. 9.—A gun of 14-inch calibre and of 50 tons weight, the largest and newest type built by the United States government at a cost of $130,000, exploded at the Sandy Hook proving grounds today. The big gun blew to pieces without causing so much as a scratch to the men around it.

The two-ton breech block was blown a quarter of a mile, the muzzle was hurled still farther away and fragments spread in every direction, but Ordnance Officer Michael Brennan, who was standing on the temporary disappearing carriage, was not struck, although the structure itself was wrecked.

Brennan was thrown many yards, but sustained hardly a bruise. Other officers and men in charge of the firing were behind a wall, which protected them from injury. The big gun, which hurled a projectile weighing 1,660 pounds at a range of 12,000 yards, was successfully fired several times in tests last month and was believed to be in perfect condition. A charge of 240 pounds of smokeless powder was used.

Speculation as to the cause of the accident brought out the belief that perhaps the sudden drop in the temperature had some effect on the gun. Officially, Lieut. Col. Babbitt, who commanded the firing, declared that the cause of the explosion had not been determined.

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Prince Albert gives pipe smokers a real idea of what a pipe smoke should be. P. A. is not only delicious, fragrant tobacco—*welcome* in any home or office—but it will neither sting the tongue nor parch the throat. That's cut out by a patented process. Forget the old days of broiled tongues and parched throats, you men who have tried the *fire*-brands. P. A. will be a revelation to you!

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You take some real say-so and buy some P. A. and roll up a few. Say, get the flavor and the freshness and the *long burning!* Well, you certainly cash in right the very first time.

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Prince Albert is sold everywhere in 5c toppy red bags; 10c tidy red tins and handsome pound and half-pound humidors.

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CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION.

To All to Whom These Presents May Come, Greeting:

Whereas, It appears to my satisfaction, by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the stockholders, deposited in my office, that the Holland Stock Farm Company, a corporation of this State, whose principal office is situated in the city of Wilmington, County of New Hanover, State of North Carolina (Hugh MacRae being the agent therein and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served), has complied with the requirements of Chapter 21, Revisal of 1905, entitled "Corporations," preliminary to the issuing of this Certificate of Dissolution:

Now, Therefore, I, J. BRYAN GRIMES, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 30th day of November, 1912, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceedings aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at Raleigh, this 30th day of November, A. D. 1912. J. BRYAN GRIMES,

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION.

To All to Whom These Presents May Come, Greeting:

Whereas, It appears to my satisfaction, by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the stockholders, deposited in my office, that the Regwill Printing Company, a corporation of this State, whose principal office is situated in the city of Wilmington, County of New Hanover, State of North Carolina, Jos. W. Little being the agent therein and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served, has complied with the requirements of Chapter 21, Revisal of 1905, entitled "Corporations," preliminary to the issuing of this Certificate of Dissolution:

Now, Therefore, I, J. BRYAN GRIMES, Secretary of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 2nd day of December, 1912, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceedings aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at Raleigh, this 2nd day of December, A. D. 1912. J. BRYAN GRIMES,

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SERVICE

Our service to you is what we know it ought to be—what you want it to be—and what you will be delighted to experience. Courtesy, promptness, willingness to give you just what you want as quickly as proper attention will permit—these are points in a service that we know will please you and that we are proud to offer you.

MISSION PHARMACY

ENTRY NO. 9129.

State of North Carolina, New Hanover County.

I hereby enter and lay claim to the following tract of vacant land in the County of New Hanover, State of North Carolina, in Federal Point Township: Beginning at Stephen Key's and R. B. Freeman's corner at a stake 47 East 48 poles to a lightwood stump the North corner of Peter Maxwell's tract of land; thence South 25 West with the said Peter Maxwell's West line to the South corner in said line; thence about West to the Freeman line, and with said line about North to the beginning, containing Twenty (20) acres, more or less.

This, the 27th day of November, 1912.

SAMUEL A. LEWIS.

Entered and filed this 27th day of November, 1912.

JOHN HAAR,
Register of Deeds and Acting Entry Take
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MURDER MYSTERY AT RALEIGH

Body of Unknown Man Found in Mill Settlement—Salisbury Metal Culvert Company—Building and Loan.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 9.—There is still much mystery connected with the finding of the dead body of a man in a meadow near Caraleigh Mill settlement, south of the city, Saturday evening. The body had the appearance of a substantial sort of a white laboring man about 40 years old.

However, it begins to look like the man was a very bright negro. The first indication that the body was that of a negro instead of a white man was the information that came Sunday evening from Middlesex that the suit of clotnes that he wore that had the name of "John Hoggan" in the breast pocket, was made for a negro by that name. Then a close examination of the body showed hair with an inclination to curl that might indicate negro blood. The police have been unable, so far, to find any trace of the man having been employed hereabouts. He was evidently killed about 100 yards from the place where his body was found. Much blood was found there and cards and other things scattered about indicated "open air gambling" and possibly a fist fight. The man is believed to have been at Lillington lately and he had in his case a number of Atlantic Coast Line towels.

A charter was issued today for the Salisbury Metal Culvert Co., of Salisbury, capital $50,000 by James M. Maupin, O. W. Spencer, and others.

Commissioner of Insurance Young is to deliver an address Thursday before the North Carolina Farmers' Union on "The Adaptability of Building and Loan System to the Financial Needs of Farmers." He believes that the building and loan can be adapted to a much more satisfactory degree than the credit societies of Europe that are beginning to be urged so much for adoption in this country. The Farmers' Union convenes Tuesday evening and will be in session until Friday.

BRUNSWICK R. R. DEVELOPMENT.

Piers of W., B. & S. Being Built—Street Improvement—Notes.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Southport, N. C., Dec. 9.—That the Wilmington, Brunswick & Southern Railway Company means business, is to be seen in the notice to contractors, now appearing in the columns of The Star. The construction of this pier and dock will make water and land commerce for the road, as the new dock will have coal bins which will have a capacity of 500 tons, or ten carloads. The pier will run on a level with Rhett street to a point over the Cape Fear river where there will be 17 feet at low water. Over this will be run the railway track for the cars. Below will be run a second runway, or passenger way for teams and such traffic as freight and passengers, where there are boats stopping at the pier. The railroad is also asking for bids to have its passenger station building here moved from its present location facing Nash street, on Rhett street, to the lot recently purchased on Moore and Rhett streets, which will be a better location in every way.

The freight train service, which was noted in this correspondence several weeks ago, was started last week, and is proving of value to trade interests along the line.

The entertainment under the auspices of the Civic Club was given at the Olympian theatre Friday night. There were moving pictures, songs and local features, with selling of home-made candies to the audience. About $25 was made, which goes to the library fund.

Moore street is the scene these days of much activity in the way of local improvements. Pavement laying, under Contractor Frank M. Abeel, with a steam mixer and men shoveling, clearing away and laying the cement, is a sight unusual in this place. Then B. F. Stiffler with his force of men are setting up the electric light poles, upon which the wire for the light service will soon be placed. This adds to the progressive betterment movement.

Local fish catching has been small for the past week, mostly black fish. On the contrary, the catch by the fisheries companies boats has been the best in weeks.

Dr. D. I. Watson, a prominent leader among local Baptists, has returned from the State Baptist Convention, which met at Goldsboro.

Col. Stride and Mrs. Stride are at present at the Stuart House. The Colonel has for some time been active in publishing Southport's possible developments, and letting outsiders know of these. He is looking about here now, with the purpose of making this place his home.

The Dickens Club was the guest of Mrs. Springer, at Fort Caswell, at its regular meeting on Saturday last. The club is reading and discussing Bleak House.

The War Department is having a technical shore line survey made of the Cape Fear river. This survey has been made of the west shore to Wilmington, and the east side of the river will next be made. The work is in charge of Lieut. Stovall, with a detail of six men from Fort Caswell. Last Winter there was a similar survey made of the coast below Fort Caswell. This work is only done during the Winter season.

New York, Dec. 9.—Port officials of Atlantic seaboard and Great Lakes cities were welcomed here today by Mayor Gaynor and Dock Commissioner Calvin Tompkins, at a gathering to discuss port organization and uniformity in methods of administration. A permanent organization of port officials is contemplated. Among the officials present was P. H. Phelans, dock commissioner of Mobile, Ala.

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When a shameful plot exists between liver and bowels to cause distress by refusing to act, take Dr. King's New Life Pills, and end such abuse of your system. They gently compel right action of stomach, liver and bowels, and restore your health and all good feelings. 25c at R. R. Bellamy.

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TRINITY COLLEGE NEWS.

Meeting of Historical Society—Basketball Games and Notes.

Durham, N. C., Dec. 8.—At the last regular meeting of the Trinity College Historical Society a paper written by Mr. Floyd S. Bennett on Southern Magazines, was read by Mr. R. L. Towe. This essay won the Braxton Craven prize for the best essay written in this college last year. Its author is now a member of the faculty of the Greensboro Female College. More than 20 exchanges and gifts to the society were also announced.

Dr. W. T. Laprade, of the department of history, contributes to the November number of the American Political Science Review, a study of the present status of the Home Rule question. Dr. Laprade has spent the past four Summers pursuing studies in the British Museum. The present article is the result of his close contact with the past and present conditions in England.

Prof. William H. Glasson, of the department of economics, has recently completed two special articles which he has been preparing for a new "History of the United States" to be published under the general editorship of Dr. Edwin Wiley, of the Library of Congress.

Friday night the sophomores defeated the seniors in a closely contested game of basketball, thus winning the title of champion class team for the year. The final score was 26 to 13 in favor of the sophomores. After the game a banner was presented to the captain of the sophomores, Beal H. Siler, by R. G. Cherry with appropriate language.

The next game of the evening for a double-header was scheduled, was more of a farce than a basketball game. This game was played between the juniors and freshmen, and was distinguished by the fumbling and bad throwing of both teams. The juniors as usual were unlucky, and though they maintained a lead until the last minute of play, they lost to the score of 12 to 11. The defensive work of Holt for the juniors and the swiftness of Robbins were the only admirable features of the game.

The 'varsity basketball squad has been narrowed down to 15 men, and out of this number the following will probably be selected to represent the college: Siler and McKinnon, forwards; Cherry, center; Brinn and Thorne guards, while Brown, Neal and Cale White will probably be the first substitutes. Notwithstanding much talk to the contrary, Trinity this year has as good prospects as ever before, and last year she lost only one game.

London, Dec. 9.—Johnny Sommers tonight won the welterweight championship of Great Britain from Sid Burns, on points. The fight took place at the National Sporting Club. Both fighters hail from London.

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U. S. Bonks (at par)	551,000.00
Bank Building	75,000.00
Bonds and Other Securities	147,717.50
Cash and Due by Banks	1,459,710.18
	$6,557,630.51

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	$ 825,000.00
Surplus and Net Profits	527,843.13
Circulation	550,000.00
Special Deposit, U. S. Bonds	100,000.00
Deposits	4,554,787.38
	$6,557,630.51

DEPOSITS:

November 26th, 1908	$3,971,810.82
November 26th, 1910	4,144,900.07
November 26th, 1912	4,554,787.38

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NEWS NOTES AT DUNN

Daniels for Postmaster General—Other Items of Interest

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Dunn N. C., December 7.—Dunn and Harnett county wish to withdraw all names of their candidates for cabinet positions under President Wilson, and join with Governor Glenn and Editor Hale in making the nomination of Josephus Daniels for postmaster general unanimous.

There was a big lot sale in the western part of town last Thursday of the old Isaac Wade farm, which belongs to Congressman Godwin. The lots sold for fine prices and as the property was purchased by some of our best citizens, that part of town will be immediately developed.

Mr. E. F. Young, who is Harnett's Representative in the next General Assembly, was chosen by the County Commissioners at their meeting last Monday to act as county attorney to succeed Mr. J. C. Clifford.

Mr. L. J. Sears, chairman of the board of education of Wake county, spent several days in town this week visiting his friends and hunting with Road Superintendent Charlie Mason.

Mrs. E. Lee, Mr. J. C. Clifford and Rev. James Long have been in Goldsboro for several days attending the Baptist convention.

Postmaster Thos. J. Jackson and Deputy Collector A. F. Surles have been quite sick for several days but their friends are glad to hear that both are improving.

JUDGE COOK VERY ILL.

Son is Summoned to Bedside of His Father Near Louisburg, N. C.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Magnolia, N. C., Dec. 9.—Mr. E. W. Cook left last night in response to a wire calling him to the bedside of his father, the venerable Judge C. M. Cook, who is seriously ill at his home, Northfield, near Louisburg, N. C. Hundreds of friends throughout the State sincerely hope that the distinguished North Carolinian will recover.

When Baby Has Croup

Every Mother Should Know About Booth's HYOMEI

In any home where a child has a tendency to croup, a bottle of HYOMEI (pronounce it High-o-me) should be kept constantly on hand.

A sudden attack of croup with difficult breathing and extreme distress is apt to come on any time.

The course to be pursued is plain. Send for your doctor at once, and in the meantime drop 30 drops of HYOMEI into a bowl of boiling water and hold the child's head over it, cover with a towel or cloth, so that only the air filled with HYOMEI vapor is breathed.

This method of treatment has saved many a child's life, and mothers of croupy children should see to it that Booth's HYOMEI is always on hand. Full instructions for prompt relief of croup is in each package.

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Public Sale!

At Falson, N. C., Saturday, Dec. 14th, 9 A. M., estate of the late Thos. H. Carmine, consisting Lands, Mules, Cows, Corn, Hay, Peas, Wagons, Farming Implements, Etc.

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Sewer Bids

Will be received up to Noon, Dec. 10th, for laying extension to Sewer at Carolina Heights, and building Manholes. H. de W. RAPALJE, Engineer.

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No. 51, * 5:35 A. M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars Between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50, *12:30 A. M.
No. 64, † 5:50 A. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No 65, † 6:25 P. M.
No. 48, * 8:30 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York Trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49, * 6:15 P. M.
No. 53, * 8:45 A. M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford	No. 52, * 8:05 P. M.
No. 55, * 3:15 P. M.	Chadourn, Conway (!), Florence, Charleston, Savannah, All Florida Points, Columbia, Asheville and the West. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.	No. 54, * 1:40 P M.
No. 62, * 3:25 P. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 63, *12:50 P.M.
N. 59, † 6:30 P. M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate Stations.	No. 60, †10:15 A. M.
No. 42, * 7:00 P. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman and Dining Car Service. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41, *10:00 A. M.
No. 57, † 7:30 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate Stations.	No.58, † 8:15 A. M.

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In Effect October 29, 1912.

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EAST BOUND. Leave Wilmington for Winter Park	EAST BOUND. Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville	EAST BOUND. Leave Wilmington for The Beach	WEST BOUND. Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	WEST BOUND. Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	WEST BOUND. Leave The Beach for Wilmington
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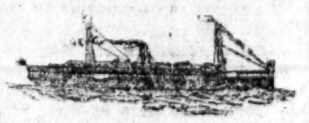

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P. M.		A. M.
3:15	Lv . . . . Wilmington . . . . Ar.	8:15
4:05	" . . . Town Creek . . . "	7:20
4:20	" . . . . Bolivia . . . . "	7:05
4:55	Ar. . . . Southport . . . Lv.	6:30

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Lv. Durham	7:00 a.m.	5:30 p.m.
Lv. Lynchburg	2:40 p.m.	2:50 a.m.
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20 a.m.	6:25 p.m.
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a.m.	6:55 p.m.
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Tuesday, December 10, 1912.

No doubt there are times when every man feels like taking to the woods.

It's the men who make their city and not the city which makes its men.

When a public man gets to be a hot number it is time for him to be left in the cold.

The worst part about the notoriety of some public men is that it attaches itself to their State.

The world expected much from the Young Turks, but evidently they were too young and inexperienced.

In seeking for the cause of divorce, have they ever searched the men and women who get tired being married?

A woman's idea of her husband is that he should make plenty of money and recognize her ability to take care of it.

Our idea of the difference between notoriety and reputation causes us to think about Governor Blease, of South Carolina.

A Georgian lost his head over a girl and shot himself. He was only one of a number of one-idead fellows who don't take it into consideration that there are plenty of other girls worth living for.

Christmas is nearly here, but California managed to announce on Saturday that Roosevelt carried the State by 174 votes. California might have held back the announcement for the opening day of the Panama Canal Exposition.

Mrs. Allen Tweedie, of England, says America has the prettiest of all women, but her impression is that they are "too submissive to their husbands." Submissive? Isn't the English lady speaking from a very short acquaintance

Disturbances in the stock market may mean that there is fear that the water may leak out of inflated values. About the only lack of confidence in this country is on the part of those who are not depending upon legitimate business.

Col. Roosevelt says he spends $10 a day for stamps. We thought ex-Presidents were entitled to the franking privilege. Even if they had the frank, they should not use the mails for their third term correspondence or for political agitation.

One of the most sensible things Wilmington can do is to aid Southport in securing a coaling station before some other point takes it away from the Cape Fear ocean outlet. All that we can't get for Wilmington we ought to help get for Southport.

Col. Roosevelt says he is not a candidate for the Presidential nomination at the hands of the Progressive party in 1916. Of course, it is too early to be a candidate right now, but later the colonel can decide to be his party's nominee instead of merely a candidate.

It is now said that the cattle tick is responsible for the high price of meat, as the pest causes a shortage in cattle on the hoof. We are inclined to believe that the cattle tick is largely responsible for getting our goat. Adopt the no-fence law and get rid of ticks and tickey cows.

"Women often say things they do not mean," says a college professor. That's no joke. For instance, an Ohio lady sent invitations to her lady friends to drop in to an informal dinner party, and at the bottom of the invitation she added: "Don't take the trouble to dress." This is Winter time, too!

THE PANAMA CANAL CONFERENCE

The commercial South is to gather in Atlanta today and tomorrow and hold just such a conference as was suggested by The Star two or three years ago, and at different times since. We do not state this in order to take any special unction from the fact, but to say that the South Atlantic ports lost their oportunity in not getting ahead of Atlanta on a purely commercial proposition. In discussing the anticipations of our ports in view of the larger oportunities which the Isthmian waterway offers our ports, we suggested that Wilmington, Charleston, Savannah and Jacksonville would do well to hold such a conference in the interest of enlarging the South's commerce and when we consider the great resources of the South and its possibilities for traffic through all our ports, we have not believed that there would ever be enough competition between them to prevent their getting together on some phases of the canal opportunities.

We do not believe the capacity of our ports will be improved rapidly enough and adequate terminals be installed as readily as the requirements demand for the ports of the South Atlantic to be afraid that one will get ahead of the other in getting commerce. There will be more business than all of them can do with their present facilities, so if they are to develop this portion of the South as they should it will tax every port on the Atlantic seaboard. The fact is there is so much to be done our ports will be taxed for many years to come in the handling of the commerce that our ports will have offered to them. The truth is, we know that already a certain class of commerce has been turned away from three of our ports because they lacked the warehouse facilities to handle it. Ourports, therefore, have got a lot to do in order to get good and ready for commerce.

The Atlanta conference means that the interior cities are getting behind us to spur us up to a livelier appreciation of our tremendous opportunities. It is true that the ports have been invited to send delegates to that conference, but we let the initiative be taken in the interior, two to three hundred miles away from any port. Why should Atlanta, Chattanooga, Memphis, Nashville, Birmingham, Charlotte, or any other growing Southern city, be specially interested in commerce? For the simple reason that they are industrial centers and expect Panama traffic to enlarge their opportunities. They already export and import to a considerable degree and will do more of it as soon as the opportunity opens up to them. We rather construe it that the interior points want to find out if our ports are going to be able to take care of any foreign trade that they may get. The conference will be preliminary to many, and about the first thing that the producing centers will want to know is whether we are going to have our ports ready for any business that they may offer to us. The Southern commercial centers which will be interested in the development of the South's commerce will find out that a two days' conference will only start them upon a great big subject that will require many such conferences. The Star suggests, therefore, that others be arranged, and that the next one be held in Wilmington.

We may as well understand that the interior will offer our ports a large amount of commerce and they must learn from the ports how they are going to take care of them. In turn, the ports must learn of them what they will have to offer. Just at the present time, if we could turn the South's cotton manufacturers through our ports, we would be astonished at the volume of the traffic. Take North Carolina, for instance. Her cotton and tobacco manufactures are now shipped out of the State by rail and go through other ports when they might be going through Wilmington. There is throughout the South tremendous manufacturing interests, and we must learn more about it and meet the demand for the export of the South's numerous manufactures. If the ports knew how much business is lying back in the interior for them they would get busy.

NEW AWAKENING FOR THE SOUTH.

Our ports little dream of the immense opportunities they will have on account of the co-operative commercial spirit that is to take shape today and tomorrow in Atlanta where Wilmington will be represented in this week's Panama Conference. The Atlanta Constitution thus refers to that gathering:

"Representatives of the foremost commercial organizations in the Southern States and of the countries to the south of us will gather in Atlanta Tuesday and Wednesday of this week to discuss the effect upon American trade possibilities of the opening of the Panama canal, with especial reference to the Southern States. The conference is upon the initiative of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, and is characteristically in line with the progressive and far-seeing spirit of that organization. The South, in common with America, singularly enough, has been slow to recognize the new epoch in international commerce with the adding of the Panama canal to the world's business equipment. The great trading nations of Europe are busily engaged in preparations for the event. All and singular, they are strengthening their merchant marine and making more smooth their relations with the nations that will be more intimately affected by the operation of the canal. America, building and paying for the great ditch, seems less concerned than any other important power as to its international significance. Aside from making regulations for the operation of the canal, we have done little to prepare ourselves in a commercial sense. The South has a particularly vital stake in the era to be ushered in by the canal, and the forthcoming conference should aid materially in impressing this fact upon every Southern interest. Our nearness to the isthmus and our huge command of raw resources and of almost illimitable waterpower, make it logical that the South will be that section of America most directly the beneficiary of enlarged trade relations following the opening of the canal. The Southern port and trans-shipping business alone will be a tremendous factor in the Panama equation. New outlets will be opened, not only to the west coast of South America, but in an even greater degree to the Orient with its commercial future as yet uncharted. It is, therefore, at a time unusually auspicious that Southern business men are called in conference to debate ways and means toward reaping the harvest that is just ahead. The fact that there will also be present diplomatists and business men prominent in the life of Central and South America, gives the finishing touch of cosmopolitanism to the conference."

It is not alone what the rapidly developing South will get in the broader field for its products, but it is equally important to consider what the South can get in return. We will get the raw materials of other countries and we have no doubt that the products which we are to receive in return will stimulate manufacturing at our ports. Wilmington already is using Chilean and Peruvian products in her manufactures, and when it is considered that these raw materials will be 10,000 miles closer to us through the canal, we will begin to appreciate its importance in that one particular.

BRYAN TO MOVE TO WASHINGTON

A few days ago the Washington Post contained a rumor that the Hon. William J. Bryan would move to Washington and would make that city one of the places of publication of his paper, The Commoner. The Washington paper stated that the Nebraskan had leased offices and created considerable worrry in Democratic circles. Now we find this sent out in the dispatches under date of Saturday last:

"Apprehension lest Mr. Bryan really intends to move to Washington whether or not he is made a member of Wilson's cabinet and establish this as his headquartres and the home of his publication, The Commoner, is giving the Democrats many anxious hours. A report that the Nebraskan has leased a suite of offices in one of the big new office buildings here gave rise to the gossip about him coming to Washington to help run the government. No denial has come from Lincoln. Even among Democrats who admit that President-elect Wilson is under deep obligations to Mr. Bryan for support both at Baltimore and during the Presidential campaign some misgiving is expressed over extending to Mr. Bryan a cabinet portfolio. With Mr. Bryan on the scene issuing his instructions and taking personal charge of affairs, it would be very much like the situation during the time President Roosevelt was in the White House, alternately prodding and issuing defiance to Congress."

We don't see why Democrats should be alarmed at the thought that Col. Bryan proposes to camp in Washington. He publishes a great national Democratic paper and now that he feels that the Democracy has captured the nation the National capital becomes the most natural place to publish his paper. Quite naturally, indeed, that is precisely where such a paper as The Commoner should be published. It is purely a political paper, and from a business point of view we should say that it is a good business move.

The political consequences seem to be feared but that is cowardly if there really is any truth in the statement that there is "much apprehension" about it among Democrats.

They ought to wait till Colonel Bryan shows how his hand gets dangerous before he becomes an object of dread. We should say that Col. Bryan and The Commoner could do quite as much harm in Lincoln, Nebraska, as they can in Washington, and, at any rate, the Colonel should not be feared unless he realy assumes the role of dictator, in which case no attention need be paid to him if his declarations are calculated to injure the party. However, we don't think there is any cause for apprehension.

Disraeli said: "Man is not the creature of circumstances. Circumstances are the creatures of men." Some of the circumstances they create get their country into war or their people into trouble. Men create good and bad circumstances, but because circumstances are the creatures of men and not men the creatures of circumstances, it is no argument in favor of men. Some circumstances very aptly demonstrate that the men who create them ought have been farm hands.

A Philadelphia doctor says American men are becoming fatter and he blames it on the automobile. He gives as the reason that the swift rush through the keen, healthful air gives men such appetites that it makes them eat like a lion. They then go to work without exercise and find themselves getting too large for their clothes. No doubt, this is a hint that thin people will not overlook.

In view of the talk of a general war in Europe, the President of the city countl of Paris says such a war would be so serious that Paris would be without bread in three days. That should be warning to the diplomats that Europe cannot afford to have a war.

CURRENT COMMENT.

What North Carolina needs, among other things, is a state-wide stock law. Little skinny, runty, piney woods rooters have destroyed millions of dollars worth of trees, when they would have been worth more to their owners if cared for in some other way.—Greensboro News.

The North Carolina Florence Crittenton Industrial Home, located at Charlotte, N. C., is an institution that is doing a noble work among fallen young women, bringing them into Christian living. The officers and trustees of this institution comprise some of the best and leading men and women of the State. Mr. J. R. Boyd, of this city has recently been named as a member of the trustees and advisory board.—Fayetteville Observer.

It is reported that trains will soon be running over the new link of railroad between Colon, on the D. & C. division, and Verina, on the R. & S. division of the R., C. & S. Railroad. The overhead bridge across the Seaboard above Colon has been completed for several months. Work on the grade and track has been progressing for some time between the two stations mentioned, the work being divided into two sections, one from Colon and the other from Verina. Work of surfacing the completed portion of track has been relaid with much heavier iron than has heretofore been used.—Troy Montgomerian.

KINSTON NEWS NOTES

Death of Girl In Gin—New Enterprise—Lenoir Court

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., December 9.—A telephone message received here yesterday from Snow Hill told of the awful death of a daughter of Walter Taylor, a farmer who lives about two miles from that town. The yonng woman, whose first name could not be learned, was caught in the shaft of a cotton gin on her father's place, and before the engine could be stopped she was literally torn to pieces, the body being pulled in two. Her clothing became caught in the rapidly-revolving shaft, and she was almost instantly killed. Particulars are meagre and Miss Taylor's exact age could not be learned.

The Southern Drainage and Construction Company is a new Kinston enterprise and one of the most notable undertakings of the year by local business men. Messrs. Clarence Oettinger, Chas. F. Harvey and J. G. Dawson are the stockholders. A charter was issued to the new company last week, with the authorized capital of $50,000 and $6,500 paid in. The principal office will be in Kinston. The purpose of the Southern Drainage and Construction Company is to drain swamps and build bridges. The concern has already taken over the contract to drain Bear swamp in drainage district No. 1 of this county, about six miles from LaGrange. Four miles of the district have been drained, and about ten more remain, the big ditch emptying into the mill pond. A $10,000 dredging machine is operated and about 60 men employed in the work. The company has another large contract in Duplin county, but this has not been begun yet. The new corporation has not yet elected officers, but C. Walker Hodges has been appointed engineer and is in charge of the work at Bear Creek swamp. The drainage of this waste land will reclaim some of the most valuable farming lands in the eastern part of the State and is a task of large proportions and much expense.

This morning the Kinston Silk Mill in Northeast Kinston, a large plant which formerly did considerable business, resumed operations after a suspension of several years. This time it is being operated as one of the string of mills owned by the W. H. Ashley Silk Company. It is under the superintendency of Dr. T. W. Thurston, colored, who comes to Kinston from Fayetteville, where he had ten years' experience in the silk business. The plant was formerly under several managements, the only successful one being that of Thurston, but bad market conditions finally caused it to go under.

Four blocks on North Queen street here, from the end of the brick pavement on that street to Vernon avenue, are being sand-clayed as the city's portion of the central highway. This strip connects with the road improved by Lenoir county from the edge of Kinston to Hines Junction, on the way to Goldsboro. The preparation of the improved street is similar to that on other streets which have been treated in this manner, the materials used being sand, clay and cinders. The residential section of the city's main thoroughfare promises to be a model highway.

Judge Carter, of Asheville, convened Superior Court for Lenoir county this morning. The term, which is for one week only, is for the trial of criminal cases. The docket, an average one, contains no cases of unusual importance.

A. & M. CLASS GAMES.

Juniors Defeated Sophomores—Athletic Association Meets.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

West Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 8.—Saturday afternoon the juniors defeated the sophomores in the first game of the class football championship series, by a score of 6 to 0. The game was a splendid exhibition and both sides were nearly evenly matched, the juniors outplaying the sophomores in the first three quarters, but the sophomores took a brace in the last quarter and all of the playing was in the juniors' territory. The playing of Kilpatrick and Mallett for the sophomores, and of Houck, Foster and Potter for the juniors were the features. Tuesday afternoon the juniors will play the freshmen for the faculty cup. This is expected to be a hard fight, as the freshmen are said to have the best class team that has been presented at A. & M. in some years.

Saturday in Pullen Hall, the regular Fall meeting of the Athletic Association was held, the following officers being elected: President of the Athletic Association, S. B. Sykes; vice president, W. T. Hurtt; secretary and treasurer, P. B. Ferebee. Manager of 1913 football team, W. L. Jewell; assistant managers, I. T. Lewis and B. W. Setzer.

At a meeting of the Athletic Council Friday night the following monograms and stars were awarded to members of the football team: Stars to Capt. Cool, Anthony, Hurtt, Hargrove, Phillips, Sykes, and Spencer, and monograms to Plyler, McHenry, Cooke, Morton, Jeffrey and Davis.

Constantinople, Dec. 9.—Official announcement was made tonight that Selih Bey, Minister of Marine; Rechad Pasha, Minister of Agriculture, and Osman Nizami Pasha, ambassador to Germany, had been appointed plenipotentiaries to the peace conference, which will begin at London December 13th. The delegates will start for London tomorrow.

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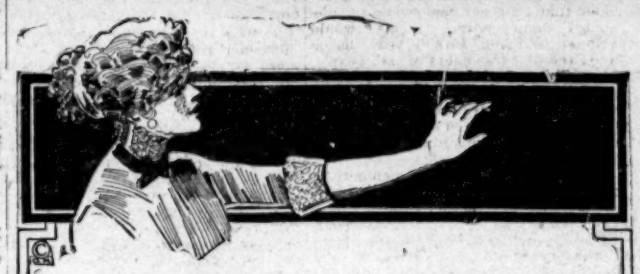

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RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$194,089.83	Capital	$ 50,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	1,804.54	Profits	3,469.64
Real Estate	12,050.00	Deposits	170,608.78
Cash	16,052.05		
Total	$224,018.42	Total	$224,018.42

J. W. YATES . . . . . President J. W. LITTLE . . . Vice-President
J. F. ROACHE . . . . . Cashier

BEGAN BUSINESS DECEMBER 1st, 1911.

COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Monthly Meeting Yesterday—Treasurer's Commissions Fixed —Domestic Science Department at High School

The County Board of Education was in regular monthly session for over an hour yesterday afternoon with Chairman J. O. Carr presiding and Mr. Chas. E. Taylor, Jr., in attendance, also Mr. H. McL. Green, the retiring county treasurer, and Mr. J. A. Orrell, the new treasurer, and Prof. Washington Catlett, superintendent of public instruction. Mr. Green formally turned over his books pertaining to the education fund to Mr. Orrell.

The most important matter before the board was the fixing of the commission to be paid the county treasurer for disbursing the school fund. The law does not allow him anything for receipts. Mr. Green has been receiving 2 per cent on disbursements. The past fiscal year the disbursements amounted to $65,000 in round numbers, making the treasurer's commissions about $1,300. There is a strong sentiment in the county and has been ever since early in the last primary that the treasurer should receive less compensation than was received by the treasurer for the past few years. This sentiment extended to the County Commissioners and the Board of Education. In fact, the new treasurer also felt that some reduction in the compensation might be made. After considering the matter the board decided that 1 1-2 per cent would be adequate compensation. This would amount to about $975 a year, based upon the disbursements of last year.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas the term of Mr. H. McL. Green as treasurer of the school fund of New Hanover, expires at this meeting be it

"Resolved, That we the members of the Board of Education of said county, recognizing his ability, faithfulness and accuracy as an officer always courteous and obliging, part with him with regret and commend his efficiency and fidelity as a servant of the public."

It was ordered that Mr. J. G. L. Gieschen, a member of the board, who was prevented from being present yesterday on account of illness, be appointed a committee of one to audit the accounts for the Winter Park Gardens school building. The building will cost about $4,300.

The matter of making an appropriation for the domestic science department to be established in the High School next year was discussed, but no action was taken. A special meeting will likely be held within the next few days to provide the appropriation. It was stated that the ladies who are interested in having this course established at the school have been seeking a teacher and hope to secure one to report by February 1st.

The board of education considers this a very important department of the High School and it is the purpose of the members to see that it is taken advantage of by all girls who graduate for the institution. The chairman expressed himself as being in favor of requiring every girl who graduates at the school after June 1st of next year to take at least one year in domestic science and to present a certificate from the head of her family to the effect that she had cooked unaided a certain number of meals during the period. The proposed ruling would apply to every girl who graduated from the institution. It is very likely that this will be adopted as a requirement by the Board of Education.

Reports were received from Prof. Washington Catlett, county superintendent of public instruction, and Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of the city schools, for the month of November and ordered placed on file.

STRUCK BY BICYCLE.

Young Lady Was Knocked Down on Street Yesterday Morning.

Yesterday morning, between 8 and 9 o'clock, while on her way to the store of Messrs. C. W. Yates & Co., where she has a position as stenographer, Miss Addie Brewer, was struck by a bicycle on the west side of Second street, just south of Princess, and knocked to the pavement, but was not seriously hurt. Mr. J. E. Silvia was riding the wheel and he has been arrested for going at a reckless gait and with riding his wheel without a bell. He was recognized for his appearance in the Recorder's court this morning.

Miss Brewer was rendered unconscious by the contact with the pavement and at first it was thought she was seriously injured. She was removed to the Wilmington Furniture Company, nearby, where she was attended by physicians, who announced, after a superficial examination, that she was suffering more from shock than anything else. She was then removed to the home of her mother, Mrs. S. A. Brewer, No. 417 North Fourth street. It was reported last night that she was getting along very well and hoped to be out again in a few days little the worse for the accident.

Fire Last Evening

The combination store and dwelling at 509 North Fourth street was slightly damaged by a fire at 6 o'clock last evening. The fire department was called out from box 26 and arrived in time to extinguish the blaze before any great headway had been made. The building is owned by Mr. Oscar Pearsall. Mr. J. C. Carney occupies the first floor with a store and the second floor is occupied by Mr. Chas. Skipper as living apartments. The blaze started in Mr. Skipper's kitchen from a fire on the first floor, due to a defective flue. The damage to the building is estimated at $250. Neither the household effects nor the goods in the store were damaged to any considerable extent.

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TREASURER'S COMMISSIONS

Amount to Be Paid Mr. J. A. Orrell Fixed by Commissioners and Board of Education—Meeting Yesterday

The new county treasurer, Mr. J. A. Orrell, will receive as compensation for receiving and disbursing the regular county fund and the county school fund approximately $2,200, for the present fiscal year, according to the commissions the County Board of Commissioners and County Board of Education in separate sessions yesterday afternoon decided to give him. The estimate of the amount he will receive is based upon the receipts and disbursements of the county fund and the disbursements of the school fund for the last fiscal year. The amount is approximately $2,000 less than the office paid last year, including the commissions on the bond issue.

The County Commissioners decided to give one-half of one per cent commission on all receipts and one and one-half per cent on all disbursements, while the Board of Education gives one and on half per cent on disbursements.

As was forecasted in The Star last week the Commissioners held differen views as to the amount the treasurere should receive. Chairman Willard thought that $1,200 a year was enough, but did agree to allow as much as $1,500 or even $1,800, but he would vote with the other members on the commission that will probably net a little over $2,000 to the treasurer. Commissioner Kerr considered $2,500 a more equitable amount. Commissioners Yepp and McGirt favored not less than $2,000 and Commissioner Metts suggested $1,800. Of course, the Commissioners nor the the Board of Education has the right to place the treasury on a salary basis, but the idea was to first decide about what he should receive were he on a salary and then using the receipts and disbursements for the past year as a basis it would be easy to ascertain about what commission should be allowed him.

The commission the Commissioners voted to give was recommended by Commissioner Metts at the outset of the consideration of the matter yesterday. However, at that time it was thought possible that the Board of Education would reduce the commission for handling its fund to one per cent, which would have made the total, under Commissioner Metts' proposition, about $1,800 a year. Later, after Chairman J. O. Carr, of the Board of Education, discussed informally with the Commissioners his idea that the treasurer should have one and one-half per cent for disbursing the school fund, Commissioners Yopp, Kerr and McGirt came over to Commissioner Metts' way of thinking, as this would assure the treasurer an amount above $2,000 a year. Chairman Willard, however, would not agree to go so high and voted in the negative.

The Board of Commissioners was in session for two hours with all members in attendance and Mr. John Haar, the clerk, kept a record of the proceedings. The chairman reported that the clerk of the auditing committee, according to instructions, had received bids from The Morning Star and Evening Dispatch for printing the annual statements of the county. The bid of The Star was $125 and that of The Dispatch $84. The contract will go to the lowest bidder, it was stated. Commissioner Yopp reported that the people of Winter Park Gardens are opposed to the board hiring "John the Baptist," a negro recently convicted in the Recorder's court, to any one living in the community, and he therefore made an adverse report on the question of hiring the negro to Mr. Chas. Hall. The negro will go to the roads.

Commissioner Metts spoke of his purpose to have some repairs and improvements made on the Court House in the near future and next Spring to make some further improvements. He will secure a contractor to make an estimate of the temporary improvements and submit the same to a later meeting of the board.

Chairman Willard stated that work on the Federal Point road had been resumed and he hoped that it would continue now uninterrupted. The convict camp has been removed to Wrightsville Sound and according to the present arrangements convicts are taken to the Federal Point road work every morning and brought back in the evening.

Commissioner Metts brought up the matter of improving the Gordon road from the point it enters the Castle Haynes road to the proposed sanitarium to be erected by the Red Cross Society. It was referred to the chairman.

Chairman Wilard was authorized to sell the light hoisting machine at the rock quarry if in his opinion it is thought advisable. Upon motion it was ordered that the county atto rneys proceed to collect from the Fidelity & Development Co., a bill of $267, the amount claimed by the county for hauling rock to Sunset Park over the county's temporary railroad. It was stated that the clerk of the auditing committee had been unable to get a settlement with the company, which raised the question that the amount charged was too high. Chairman Willard reported that there was a fire at the rock quarry the latter part of November, destroying a shed with a lot of tools, etc. The chairman was instructed to obtain a list of the articles lost so that they can be replaced. The chairman was authorized to purchase any additional equipment that is necessary for the standard keeper in the way of weights and measures.

Mention was made of the fact that Mr. Albert H. Marsh, an expert auditor of Augusta, Ga., with an assistant had already arrived and had started to work on the audit of the books of the county, according to contract let last week.

New Song by Mr Chick
Waltz ballad by this famous singer at the Grand Theatre today. Be sure to hear him. (Advertisement.)

Do your Christmas shopping at Rehder's. Doors open evenings till 9 o'clock. (advertisement.)

AN ELECTRICAL ASSOCIATION

Organization With Large Number of Members Formed Last Night. Its Purposes, Objects and Aims.

With a large membership, taking in practically all the electrical men in the city, including all employers of electricians, such as contractors, telephone and telegraph companies, etc., the Electrical Association was formed at an enthusiastic meeting held in the gas department of the Tidewater Power Company offices last night. There were present 32 members of the new association and all were very enthusiastic and listened with marked interest to the several talks of the evening. The prime mover in the organization is Mr. Raymond Hunt, superintendent of the electrical department of the Tidewater Power Company. Officers were elected as follows:

President—Raymond Hunt.
Vice President—J. C. Womack.
Secretary and Treasurer—A. C. Townsend.

The officers with Messrs. J. W. Blake and Henry Sherman compose the executive committee.

The object of the association is the study of practical and scientific electrical subjects and it is intended to take up a study in electricity similar to that given in a correspondence course. Meetings will be held twice each month and the next meeting will be January 7th. Similar associations have been organized in nearly all the cities of the country.

Mr. T. C. Taliaferro, of Charlotte, representing the Southeastern Underwriters' Association, was a guest of the association at its first meeting and made a delightful and instructive talk, telling of his experience with similar organizations over the country and explained the benefit that is bound to accrue to members from an association of the kind.

PORT PARAGRAPHS

Two British Steamers and Schooner Arrive—Seminole In Port

The British steamer King George, Capt. Burnett, arrived Sunday light, from Rotterdam, and the British steamer Kylestrome, Capt. Muir, arrived light from Cardiff. Both vessels come to Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son to receive cargoes of cotton for export.

The schooner Victor C. Records, Capt. Griffith, arrived Sunday from Greenville, N. J., with cargo of salt to be discharged at the Seaboard Air Line terminals. Messrs. Maffitt & Wood are agents for the vessel.

The revenue cutter Seminole, which has been cruising off the North and South Carolina coasts since the cruising season began December 1st, arrived at her station here early Sunday morning. The cutter came in to replenish her coal bunkers and take on supplies and will go out again shortly to take up her patrol along the coast.

The schooner Clara Davis, bound from New York to a Southern port, was spoken off Cape Lookut lightship at 3 P. M., Sunday by the Clyde Line steamer Navahoe, which arrived here yesterday morning. The Davis asked to be reported "All's Well."

The British schooner Louise F, which arrived Saturday from Nassau with cargo of fruit, docked at the Springer Coal Company's wharves late that afternoon. The cargo consists of 270,000 oranges, 1,500 grape fruit and 12,000 cocoanuts, and is being sold at retail by the master of the vessel.

The Austrian steamer Federica, Capt. Vidulich, cleared yesterday for Trieste, Austria, with cargo of 10,352 bales cotton. The cotton, which is valued at $673,000, was exported by Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son, and they are also agents for the vessel.

DEATH OF MR. BYERLY

Former Esteemed Wilmington Resident Passes Away in North

Many Wilmington friends yesterday learned through the medium of a telegram to Mr. A. S. Holden, secretary of St. John's Lodge No. 1. A. F. & A. M., of this city, of the death of Mr. C. Oscar Byerly, for about 15 years prior to last year, a resident of Wilmington and one of this city's most esteemed business men. Mr. Byerly passed away at Lake City, Pa., where he had been a resident the past 12 months or longer. For many years he was connected in an executive capacity with the Cape Fear Lumber Co., in this city, and was held in the highest esteem by everyone in the circle of his acquaintance. Mr. Byerly was a member of St. John's Lodge of Masons of this city and the telegram to Mr. Holden came from the Lake City lodge. The remains were taken yesterday to the old home of the family at Easton, Md., for interment. Mr. Byerly is survived by his wife, Mrs. Byerly, who was prominent, especially in church work, during the family's residence here, and one son, Mr. Kenneth Byerly, of Easton, Md. They have a host of friends in Wilmington who will tenderly sympathize with them in their bereavement.

OFFICERS FOR NEW YEAR

Annual Election Last Night by Live Oak Camp—Oyster Roast

The annual election of officers of Live Oak Camp No. 6, Woodmen of the World, took place last night and resulted as follows:

Council Commander—C. L. Williams.
Advisory Lieutenant—W. D. Weathersbee.
Banker—W. H. Howell.
Clerk—Geo. C. Jackson.
Escort—W. D. Harvey.
Watchman—W. E. Davis.
Managers—W. G. A. Otersen, John E. Wood, J. W. Fleet.
Camp Physicians—D. W. Bulluck, E. S. Bulluck, R. H. Bellamy, of Wilmington, and J. A. Dosher, Southport.

The newly elected officers will be installed the firstmeeting night in January. Following the installation ceremonies members of the Camp will board special suburban cars at Front and Princess streets and go to Wrightsville Sound, where an oyster roast will be served at the lighthouse.

CASES BEFORE RECORDER

Large Number of Defendants Faced His Honor Yesterday—"Blind Tiger" and One or Two Others Go to Roads.

Andrew Russ, Jr., a young colored man, not without a record in police circles, was the principal defendant in a lengthy and rather interesting session of the Recorder's court yesterday. Russ was charged with selling whiskey to one C. C. Moore, colored, and the case against him was worked up Sunday night by Plainclothesmen Leon George, Frank George and B. W. Jacobs. The officers were material witnesses against the defendant.

The Recorder found the defendant guilty and sentenced him to six months on the county roads. Before passing sentence the Recorder inquired of the clerk the term given the last defendant convicted of selling whiskey. The last defendant before Russ received five months.

"I want you all to understand that this whiskey selling must stop," said the Recorder in speaking to the defendant. "It is my purpose to continue to increase the length of the sentence to two years. You might as well understand that this traffic must be broken up in Wilmington."

L. Clayton Grant, Esq., who appeared for the defendant, gave notice of an appeal. Bond was fixed at $200.

Gussie Fulton, the negro who slashed Riley Burnett, an aged negro, with a razor Saturday night in the northern part of the city, was called to answer two charges—assault with deadly weapon and carrying a concealed weapon. Convicted on both charges she was sentenced to six months for the first named offense and three months for the last named. After he was cut Burnett caught hold of his assailant and held her until the arrival of an officer from the City Hall.

Melinda Roderick, a white woman, was given six months on the farm for nuisance. She has a little girl about 14 years old, who will probably be placed in some home.

The case against J. M. Lesla, charged with assault with deadly weapon in that he shot Jerry Carewe last Sunday night a week ago, was continued until Thursday. Woodus Kellum, Esq., will appear with the assistant city attorney for the prosecution. In the case against Thos. Duggan, a white man, charged with failure to pay a board bill of $80, judgment was suspended upon payment of the costs. Alonzo Meares, a 14-year-old colored boy, started out Saturday to celebrate Christmas in advance of the glorious season by firing firecrackers in the city limits. He and several other negro boys were together. A police officer warned them that it was against the law to shoot the firecrackers and all stopped but Meares, who fired one or two more. Judgment was suspended upon payment of the costs. Jessie Rogers, colored, paid $10 and costs for disorderly conduct.

James Singletary, a no-legged colored man, who is a familiar figure about the streets in his goat cart and is also a frequent visitor to the Court House as a defendant, was given 30 days on the county farm for being drunk and disorderly Sunday night. Robt. Brown, a blind colored man, who has also given the police much trouble, having been arrested twice for selling whiskey and once for drunkenness, was tried on a charge of firing his pistol in the city limits. Brown fired the pistol, a 44-calibre, from a window at his home at Seventh and Howard streets and claims that he shot because a noise he heard in the grass near the house caused him to believe that another attempt was about to be made to enter his house. The evidence was that he had just returned from the home of Sarah Bell, who was arrested about that time for disorderly conduct, when the pistol was fired. Mr. Frank George and another police officer were crouched on the sidewalk near Brown's house, awaiting the return of a man who had been sent to buy some whiskey in the neighborhood. Officer George testified that he had another narrow escape as the bullet from the blind man's revolver came so near hitting him that he jumped a fence to get out of the way of any more shots that might be fired. Attorney Peschau remarked that a blind man and a pistol is a dangerous combination and that Brown is as much a menace as a spring-gun would be. He deprecated the fact that there was no way to prevent the negro from keeping a pistol about his house. Judgment was suspended upon payment of the costs. Wm. J. Bellamy, Esq., appeared for the defendant.

A case against Preston Watson, colored, charged with the larceny of a pair of shoes from Charles Nixon, colored, was left open until this morning. In the meantime another witness for the State is to be summoned. The evidence adduced yesterday left a doubt as to the guilt of the defendant, although Nixon testified positively that Watson was the man who stole the shoes from his cart a few nights ago. Wm. J. Bellamy, Esq., appears for the defendant.

Two cases were sent over from Justice Harriss' court against Fred Davis, colored, for trial today. One charges assault with deadly weapon, and the other carrying a concealed weapon. J. S. Chadwick, a white man, charged with drunkenness, had judgment suspended upon condition of good behavior for six months. Mabel Mills, colored, was assessed $10 and costs for disorderly conduct. A case against James Brooks, colored, for assault on a female, was dismissed. Nol pros with leave was the entry made in the case against George Cavanaugh, white, charged with violating the prohibition law. Jane Perry, colored, was required to pay $5 and costs for disorderly conduct. Sarah Bell was assessed $10 and costs for a similar offense.

Queen Victoria and Preston Green, colored, were each found guilty on a charge of violating the prohibition law and were sentenced to six months, the woman to the farm and the man to the roads. Court continued in session until 2:20. This was possibly the longest session in the history of the court, lasting six hours lacking 10 minutes.

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Secretary Howard B. Branch, of the Chamber of Commerce, has just issued a neat and very attractive folder advertising Wilmington and its advantages as a place of residence and business. The cover carries an excellent likeness of the new union station of the Atlantic Coast Line, while the inside pages are full of pertinent facts as to Wilmington as a "Progressive South Atlantic Gateway" and as a "Haven for Homeseekers." The folder is from the presses of Messrs. Jackson & Bell, is attractively done in colors and will afford business men a fine oportunity of advertising their city with prospective settlers.

Idle time, idle land, idle money, bring you no profit.

DROP IN TEMPERATURE.

Cold Wave on Heels of Gale of Wind Yesterday Morning—Freezing.

Closely upon the heels of a gale of wind that swept in from the Northwest yesterday morning about 3 o'clock, attaining a velocity of perhaps 30 miles an hour and being accompanied by a driving rain and the least bit of sleet, a cold wave of some intensity is prevailing over this section with the indications that there will be a freeze this morning with temperatures ranging below 30 degrees. The cold wave is the result of the storm over Minnesota Saturday, which has swept eastward across the Lake region, reaching the Canadian maritime provinces and causing freezing temperatures over a large portion of the country. The minimum temperature yesterday was reached at 8 o'clock last night and was 36 degrees. This morning Observer Felger, of the local Weather Bureau, says the reading will be down around and below 30 degrees.

Seized by the Government.

The six cases of contraband found by the police Saturday morning and taken to the City Hall because no one would own it has been seized by the United States government through Deputy Marshal C. O. Knox on the ground that the whiskey was improperly shipped and delivered. The whiskey will remain at police headquarters subject to the orders of the deputy marshal. The proper authorities have been notified of the circumstances by United States Commissioner George Harriss and a detective will likely be sent here to look into the matter. Arrests are expected to follow.

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Miss Josephine Alexander, of Fayetteville, is visiting Miss Nina Andrews, No. 819 Princess street.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. M. London, of East Orange, N. J., are guests of Mrs. T. C. James, at Carolina Heights.

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Ex-Judge and Mrs. E. K. Bryan are spending a week or two in New York city on business and pleasure.

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The Philathea Class of Grace church will hold its regular monthly business meeting in the lecture room of the church at 8 o'clock tonight. A large attendance of members is urged.

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The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Grace Methodist church, will hold a series of prayer meetings in the lecture room of the church at 4 o'clock Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons.

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It was stated yesterday that the Civic Department of Sorosis had received a number of inquiries relative to Italian oats, commonly known as Winter grass. Seed may be obtained from local nurserymen.

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The Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian church will hold their regular monthly meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the church parlors. All the ladies of the congregation are cordially invited to be presnt.

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Those desiring to purchase something attractive and inexpensive for Christmas gifts will do well to attend the sale to be held by the Ladies' Aid Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church in the new Memorial Hall today, beginning at 11 A. M., and continuing throughout the day. There will also be a large assortment of delicious home made candies for sale.

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Friends have received attractive invitations bearing the following interesting announcement:

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kernegay
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Mignonette
to
Mr. Colin Shaw Smith
on Wednesday evening, December the
twenty-fifth
at half after eight o'clock
Baptist Church
Mt. Olive, North Carolina

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Attractive invitations reading as follows have been received by friends in the city and elsewhere:

Mr. John M. Enos
and
Mrs. Alma Harper
request the honor of your presence
at their marriage
on Wednesday evening, December
the eleventh,
nineteen hundred and twelve
at eight o'clock
by Rev. Dr. McClure
at the manse of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church
Fourth street, near Campbell

The prospective groom is a popular employe of the United States government in this city and the announcement just received will be read with interest by a host of friends in Wilmington, where he is well known.

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SOROSIS THANKS THOSE WHO AIDED IN THE RECENT FAIR.

At the regular business meeting of North Carolina Sorosis held yesterday afternoon, the ways and means committee reported the proceeds of the Club House Fair recently held in the Woolvin Building, and the members were most highly gratified at the results, for the affair was a success from every standpoint. They appreciate very much the hearty co-operation of the public and desire to thank most cordially every individual, firm and corporation who contributed so generously as they did to the success of the bazaar, and take this means of thanking through the press the following persons and firms for cheerful and generous assistance:

J. H. Rehder & Co., C. W. Polvogt Co., C. W. Yates & Co., Platt & Haar, Dry Goods Co., C. H. Fore & Co., Geo. O. Gaylord, S. & B. Solomon, Jacobi Hardware Co., Peck & Holloway Co., The Stone Co., H. L. Vollers, Swift, Ltd., Armour & Co., Holmes Grocery Co., People's Supply, E. H. Holmes Grocery Co., Wilmington Furniture Co., Monroe Furniture Co., A. D. Rich & Co., Wilmington Grocery Co., Palace Market, Pure Food Market, Hopkins & Davis, Carpenter Grocery Co., Baggett Bros., W. B. Cooper Co., McNair & Pearsall, Hashagen Co., Globe Baking Co., National Biscuit Co., Winstead & Co., H. E. Longley, the plumber, W. E. Etheridge, Brown, Toon & Co., Samuel Bear & Co., Robt. R. Bellamy druggist; J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co., James Walker Memorial Hospital, W. C. Munds, Wilmington Stamp Works, Kress & Co., through Mr. Shoemaker; J. C. Shepard, Drs. Thames and Harper and The Morning Star and Evening Dispatch, "both of which," say the ladies, "were most courteous and helpful in their reports and notices." The different nurserymen and florists who contributed were Miss Lucy Moore, Mr. VanNess, Mr. Hess Mr. Will Rehder.

ATKINSON HIGH SCHOOL.

North Carolina Day Observed With Fitting Exercises on Friday.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Atkinson, N. C., Dec. 9.—On Friday afternoon Atkinson High School rendered a very interesting programme based on the life and character of Charles B. Aycock, North Carolina's late educational Governor. Prof. Teague opened the exercises with a very interesting talk on the purposes of the day. Several essays and readings were given by the students, all based upon Gov. Aycock and his work for education. Another feature of the programme was a debate by the Atkinson Hesperian Society. A substantial contribution was received for the Aycock Memorial Fund.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. I. J. Wilkins, of Bellamy, N. C., was a visitor to the city yesterday.

—Arrivals at The Southern yesterday included J. A. Stanford, Willard; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Griffin, Evergreen; R. L. Boney, Wallace.

—Among recent arrivals at the Colonial Hotel were L. L. Simmons, High Point; N. M. Fleming, Charlotte; J. F. Musselwhite, Fayetteville; J. H. Thompson, Durham; L. W. Jones, Goldsboro.

—Mr. Chas. N. Evans left yesterday morning for Atlanta, Ga., to attend the Panama Canal Conference today and tomorrow. It is an important meeting and there will be present representative citizens from all parts of the South.

—Mr. John Spruill Ramos, formerly of this city, but latterly of Richmond, Va., and New York, spent yesterday in the city on a business trip and leaves today for Atlanta, Ga., where he will have charge of the advertising department of a large piano distributing agency in that city.

—Among yesterday's guests at The Orton were F. T. Brinkley, Winston-Salem; Miss Amanda Clark, Miss Rosa Lee Clark, Clarkton; H. T. Theyken, Charlotte; W. C. Via, Wadesboro; Wm. Black, Charlotte; E. P. Laird, Rocky Mount; J. A. Brown, Chadbourn; E. McN. Moore, Burgaw.

—Among those registered at The Orton Sunday were W. N. Waller, Jr., Raleigh; J. E. Porter, Weldon; E. K. Holloman, Durham; E. J. Hill, Warsaw; T. W. Jones, Goldsboro; A. A. Wells, Elm City; Edw. H. Meech, Lumberton; N. McK. Bryan, Elizabethtown; G. B. Coley, Durham; E. F. Mallard, Shallotte.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Several Deeds Were Filed for Record at Court House Yesterday.

Deeds were filed for record at the Court House yesterday as follows:

E. J. W. Anders and wife to Early Ellers and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lot 16 of Seagate Park.

The American Suburban Co., to J. V. Grainger, for $550, lots 22 and 23, block 17, Carolina Place.

S. T. Keyes and wife to Jas. T. English and wife, for $1 and other considerations, 225 acres of land in Federal Point township, on the Sound.

James T. English and wife to Joseph L. Sanders, for $1 and other considerations, 2 1-2 acres of land purchased from S. T. Keyes and wife.

Home Savings Bank, trustee, to Amelia Harlow, for $1,000 and other considerations, lot on north side of Chesnut street, 66 feet west of 17th, 66x150 feet in size.

Mrs. Mary McGuigan, of Asheville, to J. M. Branch, for $250, lot at Carolina Place, same being on northwest corner of 21st street and Gibson avenue, 33x113 feet in size.

E. J. W. Anders and wife to Mrs. Catherine A. Thayer and daughter, Ethel Thayer, for $100 and other considerations, lot 17 of Seagate Park.

VOTED FOR McNAMARA.

And Edward Phillips, "Dynamite" Defendant, Gets a Grilling.

Indianapolis, Dec. 9.—For voting for John J. McNamara's re-election as secretary at the Milwaukee convention of the International Association of the Bridge & Structural Iron Workers in September, 1911, five months after McNamara was arrested for dynamiting, Edward Phillips, Syracuse, N. Y., one of the accused "bomb plotters", was subjected to a severe cross examination by the government at the "dynamite conspiracy" trial today.

Phillips, as secretary of a Syracuse local union, told of many letters he wrote to McNamara, but denied they pertained to proposed explosions.

"Where was McNamara when you voted for him?" asked District Attorney C. W. Miller.

"In jail in California."

"Did you make any inquiry as to whether he was guilty of murder?"

"I did not know he was charged with murder, but thought it was dynamiting and I knew only what I read in newspapers."

Charges against Phillips were based on letters in which he referred to a job at Browerton, N. Y., as follows:

"It is a fine place to make an everlasting piece of work and set them thinking. It can be done very easy and I am going to look for something doing when the right time comes. The barge canal work looks all to the bad there."

The witness said he was trying to induce McNamara to employ two or three men to ascertain whether the eight-hour law was being violated.

In another letter he stated: "Brother Butler will be interested," referring to John T. Butler, Buffalo, also a defendant, and added:

"Some of the brothers are geting restless and are anxious to see something happen."

In reply, McNamara wrote:

"I am afraid you speak a little too plainly in your letters. I am not criticising you, but no one knows who reads my letters and this is just to give you a pointer. Our people should be careful what they put on paper when writing to headquarters."

In reference to all his correspondence, Phillips disavowed any purpose to use violence on non-union work.

AFTER THE CONSUMER.

J. B. Duke Expressed This Sentiment Says Albert H. Hillman.

New York, Dec. 9.—"The consumer is the man I am after." These words were attributed to James B. Duke, the tobacco magnate, by Albert H. Hillman, a tobacco jobber who was a witness today in the $300,000 damage suit brought by John E. Locker, of Brooklyn, against the American Tobacco Company, which is being tried in the United States Court here.

Hillman described a discussion regarding tobacco prices he had with Duke about the time of the organization of the Metropolitan Tobacco Company, which it was claimed, was the local selling agent of the American. He said he protested that jobbers could not stand an advance in prices, and Duke replied:

"Raise your price to the retailer. Let the retailer raise his price to the consumer. The consumer is the man I am after. If the retailers won't raise prices we will establish retail stores of our own."

Counsel for Locker offered to present evidence to show that the American Tobacco Company had conspired to injure independent jobbers, but the court ruled out such testimony.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Clinton Bailey, colored, was arrested yestedlay morning on suspicion that he was one of the two negroes who escaped from Councils last week, but was later released, as it was shown he was not the man wanted.

—Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Williams, No. 812 South Front street, will sympathize with them in the death of their infant daughter, Ruby Louise, which occurred Sunday afternoon. The remains were taken yesterday to Farmers, N. C., for interment.

—The police were notified yesterday that the store of Mr. E. J. Grimsley, Sr., a cousin of Sergeant E. J. Grimsley, Jr., of the local police department, was broken into and robbed Saturday night. Two suits of clothes were among the things missed from the store.

—Patrolman H. G. Bullard, of the police department, has tendered his resignation, effective December 15th, and will probably leave the city to engage in other business. He is one of the best men on the force and his leaving is generally regretted by all connected with the department.

—A negro giving his name as Albert Strong is at the James Walker Memorial Hospital for treatment for a bullet wound in the shoulder. He was shot while over the river Sunday afternoon. He was found on the wharf in the wounded condition and sent to the hospital. He would not tell how or by whom he was shot.

—For a consideration said to be in the neighborhood of $10,000, Mr. Geo. H. Hutaff has purchased from Capt. George W. Huggins, a lot on Seventh street, fronting 66 feet and running through the block to MacRae street, in the block bounded by Seventh, MacRae, Chesnut and Grace streets. Mr. Hutaff has unbounded faith in Wilmington and Wilmington real estate and his purchase is probably for investment purposes.

—The case against Charles Brown, alias "Black Cat", charged with the murder of Richard Blount at Nobles' Neck about three weeks ago, was not called in the Recorder's court yesterday morning. It is understood that those working up the case hope to secure a material witness within the next day or two, therefore the hearing will probably be continued until then. Brown is in the county jail, having been transferred from the city prison, as persons charged with murder are not kept at the City Hall for any length of time.

CORNELIUS HARNETT ELECTS.

Arcanian Officers for Ensuing Term Were Named Last Night.

At the regular meeting last night Cornelius Harnett Council, No. 231, Royal Arcanium, elected officers for the ensuing term as follows:

Regent—I. H. Weil.
Vice Regent—W. R. Stewart.
Orator—John Sternberger.
Collector—J. Weil.
Secretary—Dr. S. Mendelsohn.
Chaplain—I. Shain.
Guide—J. C. Morrison.
Warden—B. Goodman.
Sentinel—A. Silverman.
Representative to Grand Council—J. Weil; alternate, H. Allan Huggins.
Trustees—B. Solomon, M. Rosenmann and L. M. Bunting.

The newly elected officers will be installed the first meeting night in January at which time the usual banquet will be held. It is likely that as usual there will be a joint installation of officers of Cornelius Harnett and Carolina Councils.

CASE TO JURY TODAY.

Argument Nearly Completed in Trial of Sidna Allen

Wytheville, Va., Dec. 9.—Evidence in the trial of Sidna Allen, for the murder of William M. Foster, was completed this morning and the argument had been nearly completed when the court adjourned tonight. It is predicted that the case will be given to the jury by noon tomorrow.

Nothing new or of interest developed in the evidence today.

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CRITICISES GOV. BLEASE.

Gov. Joe Brown Says Advocacy of Mob Law is Unfortunate.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 9.—The executive of no State has a monopoly on devotion to the white women of his State or to the determination to protect them," declared Governor Joseph M. Brown, of Georgia, tonight in a statement in which he criticised the mob law speech of Governor Blease, of South Carolina, before the recent Governors' Conference at Richmond.

"I regard Governor Blease's advocacy of mob law as exceedingly unfortunate," added Governor Brown, "for the reason that in every other State in the Union the devotion of white men to white women is as sacred as it is in South Carolina, and the determination to protect them, or, if needs be to visit condign punishment upon them, is as deep seated and irrevocable as it is in South Carolina.

"Every Governor with whom I talked at the conference and every lady who gave me her opinion stood as one in advocating legal process instead of mob law."

Greenville, S. C., December 9.—J. L. Hunnicutt, of Chattanooga, Tenn., senior member of the railroad contracting firm of the same name, was instantly killed by a freight train of the Southern Railway here today. The accident occurred in an underpass being built by the Piedmont & Northern interurban road one mile outside the city.

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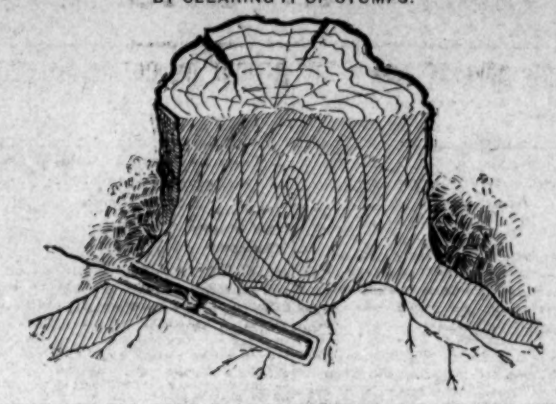

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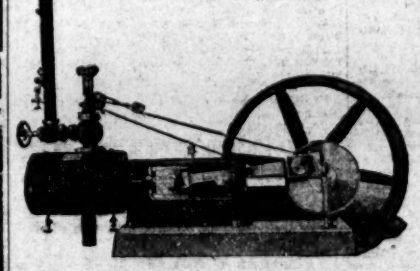
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Financial and Commercial

OPENING ADVANCE WAS LOST

Gradually Sagging Prices Followed Early Gain in the Cotton Market and Close Was Steady About Unchanged.

New York, Dec. 9.—A sharp opening advance was followed by gradually sagging prices in the cotton market today, and the close was steady, net two points higher to two points lower. The census report, showing 11,844,432 bales ginned to December 1, proved about in line with local expectations and the market opened firm, at an advance of 16 to 24 points on over Sunday buying orders, covering, and scattering support encouraged by relatively firm cables and the continued bullish average of trade and spot news. Offerings were quite heavy at the initial advance, however, and it appeared that the circulation of the ginning figures brought in a good many liquidating orders from outside sources. Wall Street selling was also a factor, attributed partly to the unsettled situation in the stock market and while there were moderate rallies from time to time, the general tendency of prices was downward, with the near months selling two or three points under the closing figures of Saturday, during the afternoon. Closing prices were within a point or two of the lowest. The amount of cotton ginned to December 1st was made the basis for widely varying mathematical calculations as to the total yield. The returns for the last half of November were the largest on record, while some predict that ginning for the balance of the season would be correspondingly full, while others claimed that not more than the average or about 2,130,000 bales remained to be ginned and still others were inclined to strengthen the smaller estimates of the yield by pointing out that in 1909 only 1,195,000 bales were ginned after December 1.

Generally speaking, however, the talk around the ring was that the large ginning for the period placed small crop estimates on the defensive, temporarily, at least, and rendered the next report of the Census Bureau, due on December 20th, a very important factor. The Government's estimate of the crop is expected next Thursday afternoon, and many local traders are now predicting an estimate of around 14,000,000 bales, excluding linters.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands, 12.25; do. gulf, 13.00; sales, 2,200.

Futures closed barely steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec	12.35	12.24	12.24	
Jan	12.48	12.50	12.30	12.31
Feb				12.42
Mar	12.60	12.62	12.39	12.42
April				12.36
May	12.49	12.55	12.35	12.37
June	12.34			
July	12.47	12.49	12.30	12.32
Aug	12.38	12.38	12.23	12.23
Sept				11.81
Oct	11.70	11.70	11.69	11.65

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Steady, 12⅝; net receipts, 21,778; gross receipts, 21,778; sales, 1,677; stock, 483,104; Great Britain, 4,431; continent, 17,601; coastwise, 6,756.

New Orleans—Steady, 12⅝; net receipts, 10,634; gross receipts, 10,634; sales, 750; stock, 253,235; Great Britain, 14,340.

Mobile—Steady, 12⅜; net receipts, 1,584; gross receipts, 1,584; sales, 950; stock, 48,551; coastwise, 35.

Savannah—Steady, 12⅝; net receipts, 8,428; gross receipts, 8,428; sales, 1,312; stock, 182,458; continent, 7,478; coastwise, 5,892.

Charleston—Steady, 12¼; net receipts, 2,500; gross receipts, 2,500; stock, 62,027; coastwise, 222.

Wilmington—Nominal; net receipts, 2,023; gross receipts, 2,023; stock, 35,787; coastwise, 100.

Norfolk—Steady, 12⅝; net receipts, 3,102; gross receipts, 3,102; sales, 1,030; stock, 75,127; Great Britain, 173; coastwise, 1,954.

Baltimore—Nominal, 12¾; stock, 1,040.

New York—Quiet, 12.75; net receipts, 308; gross receipts, 9,081; sales, 2,200; stock, 110,603; Great Britain, 694; continent, 916; coastwise, 7,525.

Boston—Quiet, 12.75; net receipts, 520; gross receipts, 3,306; stock, 16,463.

Philadelphia—Steady, 13.00; stock, 2,545.

Brunswick—Stock, 12,072; Great Britain, 14,945.

Texas City—Net receipts, 5,471; gross receipts, 5,471; stock, 57,202; Great Britain, 14,497.

Aransas Pass—Stock, 6,243.

Jacksonville—Stock, 1,409.

Total today, at all ports—Net, 56,498; Great Britain, 49,091; continent, 26,115; stock, 1,357,641.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 130,272; Great Britain, 68,313; France, 8,300; continent, 51,259.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 6,004,280; Great Britain, 1,934,136; France, 642,277; continent, 1,621,690; Japan, 78,986; Mexico, 500.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 12⅛; net receipts, 32,220; gross receipts, 32,220; shipments, 30,235; sales, 1,555; stock, 153,776.

Augusta—Steady, 13; net receipts, 2,630; gross receipts, 2,731; shipments, 1,306; sales, 976; stock, 105,430.

Memphis—Steady, 13; net receipts, 5,624; gross receipts, 11,704; shipments, 9,653; sales, 1,000; stock, 143,839.

St. Louis—Steady, 13¼; net receipts, 746; gross receipts, 3,750; shipments, 3,004; stock, 14,543.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 1,663; gross receipts, 1,663; shipments, 908; stock, 11,428.

Little Rock—Steady, 12⅞; net receipts, 2,255; gross receipts, 2,255; shipments, 1,055; stock, 4,415.

Total today—Net receipts, 45,138; gross receipts, 56,461; shipments, 46,241; sales, 3,531; stock, 473,431.

DECEMBER CROP REPORT.

Areas Sown to Winter Wheat and Rye—Condition Good.

Washington, December 9.—The December report of the crop reporting board, Bureau of Statistics, Department of Agriculture, compiled from reports of its correspondents and agents and issued at 2:15 P. M., today, announced the area sown to Winter wheat and rye and their condition on December 1, as follows:

Winter Wheat—A preliminary estimate of the area sown to Winter wheat this Fall is 32,387,000 acres, compared with 33,215,000 acres, the revised figures for the area sown in the Fall of 1911. The condition of Winter wheat on December 1 was 93.2 per cent. of a normal, compared with 86.6 per cent. on December 1, last year; 82.5 per cent. on December 1, 1910, and 89.9 per cent., the average condition on December 1, for the past 10 years.

Rye—A preliminary estimate of the area sown to rye this Fall is 2,443,000 acres, compared with 2,478,000 acres, the revised figures for the area sown in the Fall of 1911.

The contition of rye on December 1 was 93.5 per cent. of a normal, compared with 93.3 per cent. on December 1, last year, 92.3 per cent. on December 1, 1910, and 93.2 per cent., the average condition on December 1 for the past 10 years.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Dec. 6.—Spot cotton, moderate business done; prices higher; American middling fair, 7.70; good middling, 7.16; middling, 6.96; low middling, 6.78; good ordinary, 6.32; ordinary, 5.84. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 800 were for speculation and export, and included 7,700 American. Receipts, 32,000 bales, including 31,000 American.

The largest pharmacy in the world is not to be found in this country, but in Moscow. It goes by the name of the "Old Nikolskn Pharmacy", for it was established more than two centu- o. The present immense quar- ere especially constructed for ness when it was acquired in the father of the present man-

REPORT ON COTTON GINNINGS

Amount Ginned to Dec. 1st, 11,844,432 Bales, Is Report of Census Bureau—Compared With Other Years

Washington, Dec. 7.—With a total of 11,844,432 bales of cotton of the growth of 1912 ginned to December 1, activity in the cotton belt during the period from November 14 ot December 1st was greater this year than it was last year, when the country's greatest cotton crop was being prepared for market. This year the ginnings per working day for the period amounted to 362,885 bales, compared with 100,238 bales last year. The total amount ginning to December 1, however, was less than last year by 971,375 bales. During the period 1,546,786 bales were ginned this year, compared with 1,503,571 bales last year.

The sixth cotton ginning report of the Census Bureau for the season, issued at 10 o'clock this morning, announced that 11,844,432 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, of the growth of 1912, had been ginned prior to Sunday, December 1, to which date during the past seven years the ginning averaged 82.2 per cent. of the entire crop. Last year to December 1 there had been ginned 12,816,807 bales, or 82.4 per cent. of the entire crop; in 1908 to that date, 11,008,601 bales, or 84.1 per cent., and in 1906 to that date, 10,027,808 bales, or 77.2 per cent.

Included in the ginnings were 72,927 bales, compared with 87,996 bales last year, 101,718 bales in 1910, 134,393 bales in 1909, and 201,480 bales in 1908.

The number of Sea Island cotton bales included were 51,275, compared with 87,656 bales last year, 77,591 bales in 1909, and 68,296 bales in 1908.

Ginnings prior to December 1, by States, with comparisons for last year, and other big crop years and the percentage of the entire crop ginned prior to that date in those years, follows:

	Ginnings.	Per Ct.
Alabama—		
Year.		
1912	1,170,637	
1911	1,436,676	84.7
1908	1,175,625	88.3
1906	1,018,955	82.1
Arkansas—		
1912	660,174	
1911	680,434	74.9
1908	770,461	78.0
1906	570,924	63.8
Florida—		
1912	48,593	
1911	74,056	
1908	58,603	
1906	50,028	
Georgia—		
1912	1,563,443	
1911	2,339,354	
1908	1,739,657	
1906	1,304,224	
Louisiana—		
1912	343,236	
1911	313,024	
1908	394,918	
1906	672,873	
Mississippi—		
1912	818,862	
1911	892,495	
1908	1,207,677	
1906	1,007,879	
North Carolina—		
1912	754,249	
1911	628,669	
1908	554,346	
1906	490,340	
Oklahoma—		
1912	867,488	
1911	783,989	
1908	505,584	
1906	374,045	
South Carolina—		
1912	1,041,021	
1911	1,310,963	
1908	709,785	
Tennessee—		
1912	208,727	
1911	319,979	
1908	279,654	
1906	184,212	
Texas—		
1912	4,308,700	
1911	3,747,932	
1908	3,193,096	
1906	3,257,001	
Other States		
1912	69,048	
1911	89,245	64.2
1908	56,016	76.6
1906	40,374	59.1

The ginnings of Sea Island cotton, prior to December 1, by States, follow:

Years:	Fla.	Ga.	S. C.
1912	17,826	29,756	3,693
1911	32,450	51,493	3,810
1909	25,965	43,164	8,522
1908	27,907	32,140	8,349

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Dec. 9.—Flour, quiet and lower.

Wheat—Easy. No. 2, red, 1.06@1.07; No. 1, Northern Duluth, 84¾.

Corn—Weak, 53½.

Hides—Easy.

Leather—Firm.

Rice—Steady.

Petroleum—Steady.

Wool—Steady.

Molasses—Firm.

Sugar—Raw, firm; refined, steady.

Butter—Barely steady.

Cheese—Firm.

Coffee—Spot, quiet. Rio, No. 7, 14c; Santos, No. 4, 15¾; mild, quiet; Cordova, 16¼@18; Havre, ½@¾ franc higher; Hamburg, ½@¾ pfennigs higher.

Potatoes—Irregular; Southern late crop, 1.50@2.00 per bbl.; Southern sweets, 1.50@2.00 per bbl.

Cabbages—Steady.

Freights—Quiet. Cotton to Liverpool, per 100 lbs., 46.

Peanuts—Steady. Fancy hand-picked Virginia, 5¼@5½; Virginia shelled, No. 1, and No. 2, 3¼@6¼.

Cotton Seed Oil—Steady at the start on the scarcity of crude offerings and local professional buying, but the market eased off later, under scattered selling for long account, owing to the weakness in the stock market and the set-back in lard. April closed 4 points higher, and other months unchanged to one net higher. Prime crude, 5.34@5.40; do. Summer yellow, spot, 6.20@6.40; December, 6.25; January, 6.25; February, 6.20; March, 6.34; April, 6.40; May, 6.46; June, 6.49; July, 6.53. Prime Winter yellow, 6.40@7.00; do. Summer white, 6.40@6.80.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

New York, Dec. 9.—Wheat sold today at the lowest prices this season. A huge increase in the United States visible supply total had much to do with weakening the market. The Government crop report also bearish came too late to affect quotations. The close was heavy at a net decline of ⅝@⅞c. to 1⅝@1⅞c.

Corn finished ⅝ to 1⅛@1¼c. down; oats, off ⅛ to ¼@⅝c., and provisions with a loss of 5@25c.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.00@1.03; No. 2, hard, 85@88; No. 1, Northern, 86@88¾; No. 2, do., 84@85. Corn, none. Oats, No. 2, white, 34½@35; Standard, 33½@34.

Closing prices:

Wheat—December, 83½; May, 86@89¼; July, 86@86¾.

Corn—December, 47½; May, 47⅞@48; July, 48¾.

Oats—December, 31½; May, 32⅝; July, 32⅜.

Pork—January, 19.10; May, 18.67½.

Lard—December, 10.77½; January, 10.50; May, 10.17½.

Ribs—January, 10.15; May, 99½.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 9.—Money on call, steady, at 5@6 per cent.; closing bid, 5; offered at 5¼; ruling rate, 6 per cent. Time loans, steady; sixty and ninety days, 6@6½; six months, 5¾@6. Prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent. Sterling exchange, steady, with actual business in bankers bills at 4.8050 for sixty day bills and at 4.8490 for demand. Commercial bills, 4.80. Bar silver, 61⅛. Mexican dollars, 49.

BUTTER QUOTATIONS.

Elgin, Dec. 9.—Butter, firm, at 35 cents.

STOCKS HIT ROCK BOTTOM

Lowest Prices for Several Months Were Recorded Yesterday When Selling Movement Was Resumed—Losses. 4

New York, Dec. 9.—Lowest prices of stocks for several months were recorded today. The selling movement, which was checked temporarily late last week, was resumed today with increased vigor and some of the severest losses of the present decline were inflicted. Union Pacific sold down 3 points to 1.62¼; Reading, 4¼ to 1.66¼; Steel, 1¼ to 65¼; Amalgamated Copper, 3⅝ to 70¾, and American Smelting, 3⅜ to 69¼.

Losses of 2 to 4 points were recorded through a long list of other stocks from all quarters of the market. At the close, when quotations were at the lowest, the average price for 25 leading issues, including 15 railroads and 10 industrials, had fallen to within 3 points of the low average on the year, which was reached in February.

During the morning the market was quiet, with few important changes. Traders did not care to take a decided position because of the chance of the decision today by the United States Supreme Court in one of the important cases pending. As soon as word was received that none of these decisions would be rendered today, heavy selling began. The low priced issues, which figured in last week's break, were first attacked and gave way easily. The movement spread to the leading speculative issues and high priced investment stocks.

There was some further calling of loans by financial institution, which may have been a factor in the day's operations. The cotton producers' monthly statement showed the expected increase in stocks on hand.

The bond market was very weak, with declines in some active issues running from 1 to 2 points. Total sales, par value $1,970,000. United States bonds, unchanged on call. Total sales, 989,400 shares.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

	Amalgamated Copper
	American Agricultural
	American Beet Sugar
	American Can
	American Can, pfd
	American Car and Foundry
	American Cotton Oil
78.4	American Ice Securities
83.0	American Linseed
81.4	American Locomotive
	American Smelting and Ref
	American Smelting and Ref., pfd
87.7	American Sugar Refining
88.0	American Tel and Tel
85.2	American Tobacco pfd
	Anaconda Mining Co
	Atchison
82.4	Atchison, pfd
84.6	Atlantic Coast Line
70.4	Baltimore and Ohio
	Bethlehem Steel
	Brooklyn Rapid Transit
76.3	Canadian Pacific
80.1	Central Leather
67.9	Chesapeake and Ohio
	Chicago Great Western
	Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul
73.6	Chicago and North Western
81.1	Colorado Fuel and Iron
80.3	Consolidated Gas
	Corn Products
	Delaware and Hudson
77.1	Denver and Rio Grande
91.5	Denver and Rio Grande, pfd
65.8	Distillers' Securities
	Erie
	Erie, 1st pfd
77.5	Erie, 2nd pfd
84.4	General Electric
	Great Northern, pfd
	Great Northern Ore Ctfs
74.4	Illinois Central
83.7	Interborough-Met
62.9	Interborough-Met., pfd
	Inter Harvester
	Inter-Marine, pfd
91.3	International Paper
88.0	International Pump
82.3	Kansas City Southern
	Laclede Gas
	Lehigh Valley
64.2	Louisville and Nashville
76.6	Minn., St. P. and Sault Ste Marie
59.1	Missouri Pacific
	National Biscuit
	National Lead
	Nat. Rys of Mexico, 2nd pfd
	New York Central
	New York, Ont. and Western
	Norfolk and Western
83.9	North American
	Northern Pacific
	Pacific Mail
	Pennsylvania
	People's Gas
	Pittsburg, C. C. and St. Louis
	Pittsburg Coal
	Pressed Steel Car
	Pullman Palace Car
	Reading
	Republic Iron and Steel
	Republic Iron and Steel, pfd
	Rock Island Co
	Rock Island Co., pfd
	St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd
	Seaboard Air Line
	Seaboard Air Line, pfd
	Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron
	Southern Pacific
	Southern Railway
	Southern Railway, pfd
	Tennessee Copper
	Texas and Pacific
	Union Pacific
	Union Pacific, pfd
	United States Realty
	United States Rubber
	United States Steel
	United States Steel, pfd
	Utah Copper
	Virginia-Carolina Chemical
	Wabash
	Wabash, pfd
	Western Maryland
	Western Union
	Westinghouse Electric
	Wheeling and Lake Erie

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Dec. 9.—Turpentine and rosin, quiet.

Savannah, Dec. 9.—Turpentine, firm, at 35¼@35½. Sales, 1,018; receipts, 778; shipments, 205; stock, 39,149.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 2,972; receipts, 2,596; shipments, 4,631; stock, 148,581. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F and G, 5.45@5.50; H and I, 5.45@5.55; K, 6.40; M, 7.00; N, 7.25; W G, 7.35; W W, 7.45.

Charleston, Dec. 9.—Turpentine, firm at 35@35¼.

Rosin—Firm. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G and I, 5.50; K, 6.45; M, 7.00; N, 7.25; W G, 7.35; W W, 7.45.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 7.—Spanish—Market firm. Farmers' Spanish, $1.17½ per bushel. Jumbo Spanish, $1.12½ per bushel. No. 1, Shelled Spanish, 6¼@6⅝; No. 2, Shelled Spanish, 4c. per pound.

Virginias—Market, firm. Fancy Jumbo, 3½c. per lb. Fancy Handy-Picked, 3½c. per lb. Extra Prime, 3¼c. per lb.; Prime, 3c. per lb.; Machine Picked, 3c. per lb. Shelling Stock, 2¾c. per lb.

DEY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 9.—The primary cotton goods market was firm today. Cotton yarns were steady. New lines of Chinchilla were opened for the 1913 season at advances that ranged from 7½ to 10c. a yard over last year's opening quotations. There was a good demand for cheap worsteds for Spring delivery by jobbers.

U. S. ENGINEER OFFICE, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 7, 1912.—Sealed proposals for furnishing f. o. b. cars, Wilmington, N. C., about 1,000 tons of steel sheet piling for Lock and Dam No. 1, on Cape Fear river, at King's Bluff, N. C., will be received at this office until 2 P. M., Dec. 26, 1912, and then publicly opened. Information on application. H. W. Stickle, Maj. Engrs. de8,10,11,12,25,26--6t

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau.

Dec. 10, 1912.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 39 degrees; at 8 P. M., 36 degrees; maximum, 44 degrees; minimum, 36 degrees; mean, 40 degrees.

Rainfall for the day .01; rainfall for the month to date, .44.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 3.9 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Warmer Tuesday; Wednesday, fair.

Port Calendar—Dec. 10.

Sun rises	7:07 A. M.
Sun sets	5:03 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 56 min.

Tides.

	High water.		Low water.	
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	10:43	11:10	5:14	6:10
Southport	8:49	9:07	2:29	3:19
Masonboro Inlet	8:29	8:58	2:00	2:50

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS

December 9, 1912.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature. Highest today.	Temperature. Lowest last night.	24 hour precipitation, 8 P. M.
Abilene	cloudy	44	36	.0
Asheville	clear	36	26	.0
Atlanta	clear	42	32	.02
Augusta	clear	52	42	.0
Birmingham	clear	42	30	.06
Boston	cloudy	28	14	.0
Charleston	clear	54	44	.0
Charlotte	clear	42	38	.04
Chicago	clear	34	12	.0
Galveston	clear	54	44	.0
Jacksonville	clear	58	34	.04
Memphis	clear	36	22	.0
Mobile	clear	54	40	.0
Montgomery	clear	50	36	.0
New Orleans	clear	54	44	.0
New York	cloudy	30	18	.0
Oklahoma	pt cldy	44	22	.0
Pittsburg	clear	26	14	.0
Raleigh	clear	40	30	.26
Savannah	clear	58	46	.0
Shreveport	cloudy	46	36	.0
St. Louis	clear	38	14	.0
Washington	clear	32	22	.0

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. King George (Br.), 2,480 tons, Burnett, Rotterdam, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Kylestrome (Br.), 2,105 tons, Muir, Cardiff, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schr. Victor C. Records, 263 tons, Griffith, Greenville, N. J.; Mafflitt & Wood.

Str. Navahoe, 1,278 tons, Packer, New York, H. G. Smallbones.

Str. Lisbon, Black, White Oak, J. W. Brooks.

Cleared.

Str. Federica (Aust.), 2,261 tons, Vidulich, Trieste, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Carib, 2,080 tons, Hale, New York, H. G. Smallbones.

Str. Lisbon, Black, White Oak, J. W. Brooks.

Exports—Foreign.

Trieste—Aust. str. Federica, 10,352 bales cotton, valued at 3673,020; cargo and vessel by Alexander Sprunt & Son.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. King George (Br.), 2,480 tons, Burnett, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Kylestrome (Br.), 2,105 tons, Muir, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Craigforth (Br.), 1,342 tons, Jackson, Heide & Co.

Str. Turkistan (Br.), 2,869 tons, Blaiut, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Staufield (Br.), 2,192 tons, Pritchard, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

Schr. Victor C. Records, 263 tons, Griffith, Mafflitt & Wood.

Schr. Louise F. (Br.), 160 tons, Albury, Mafflitt & Wood.

Schr. Fannie Prescott, 318 tons, Colberth, Mafflitt & Wood.

Schr. Mary E. H. G. Dow, 1,297 tons, Gray, Mafflitt & Wood.

Stephen G. Loud, 400 tons, Graham, Mafflitt & Wood; in distress.

Barques.

Bk. Simetra (Nor.), 1,356 tons, Nielsen, Heide & Co.

Bk. Madura (Nor.), 1,023 tons, Brandt, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 9.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market, steady at 34¼.

ROSIN—Steady, at $5.30.

TAR—Firm, $2.20 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Firm, $3.00 per barrel for hard; $4.00 for dip; $4.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year: Spirits turpentine, 47½; rosin, $3.70; tar, $1.80; crude turpentine, $3.50 for hard; $4.50 for dip; $4.50 for virgin.

Receipts.

Spirits Turpentine	3
Rosin	23
Tar	24
Crude Turpentine	27

Receipts same day last year, 13 casks spirits turpentine; 163 barrels rosin; 11 barrels tar; 79 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Nominal.

Same day last year, 8¾.

Receipts, 2,023; same day last year, 4,086 bales.

Total receipts since Sept. 1st, 261,462 bales.

Total receipts same time last year, 301,176 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 9.)

CORN—Firm; 90c. per bu.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, 85c. to 95c. per bu. Sweet potatoes, dull, 50 to 60c.

BEEF—On foot, good demand, 6@4c. per lb.; dressed, 8c.

PORK—Dull, 9 to 10c.

WOOL—Burry, 15 to 18c. per lb.; free of burr, 25c. per lb.

HIDES—Green, 11c. per lb.; dry, 13 to 16 2-3c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, old, 19 to 20c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 13½ to 14c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm; 27@28c. per lb.

TALLOW—Firm; 4½ to 5c. per lb.

POULTRY—Chickens, very dull; grown, 45 to 50c. Chickens, Spring, 18 to 35c. per head. Turkeys, on foot, dull, 18c.

SHEEP—Old, $1.00@$2.50; lambs, $1.00@$3.00.

EGGS—Dull, 25c.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at the Port of Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 9.

Coast Line—1,347 bales cotton; 3 casks spirits turpentine; 7 barrels rosin; 24 barrels tar; 22 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—67 bales cotton.

Clyde Line—609 bales cotton.

Str. Whitlock—18 barrels rosin; 5 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—2,023 bales cotton; 3 casks spirits turpentine; 23 barrels rosin; 24 barrels tar; 27 barrels crude turpentine.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 4.

Market—Steady.

North Carolinas—Farmers' stock: Prime hand-picked, $1.10; machine-picked, $1.05.

Spanish—Prime hand-picked, $1.10; machine picked, $1.05.

Virginias—Prime hand-picked, 70c.; machine-picked, 65c.

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BRITAIN'S FORMAL PROTEST RECEIVED

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and commerce "applying equally and without discrimination to the inhabitants, ships, vessels and boats fo both countries * * * but all such rules and regulations and all tolls charged shall apply alike to the subjects or citizens of the high contracting parties, and they shall be placed on terms of equality in the use thereof."

Referring to the third article of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty the note points out that the first of the Suez canal rules which the treaty adopts for the Panama canal is that the waterway shall be free and open to the vessels of commerce and war of all nations observing the rules on terms of entire equality, so that there shall be no discrimination against such nation. It is said the President's statement of the case is wholly at variance with the real provisions when he treats the words "all nations" as excluding the United States because it had constructed the canal on its own territory and thereby acquired an absolute right of ownership, including the right to allow its own commerce to use the canal upon such terms as it saw fit.

"They (the British government) consider," said Sir Edward, "that by the Clayton-Bulwer treaty the United States had surrendered the right to construct the canal and by the Hay-Pauncefote treaty they recovered that right upon the footing that the canal should be opened to British and United States vessels upon terms of equal treatment."

The next point is that exemption of American coastwise shipping from tolls would violate the undertaking that the tolls should be "just and equitable." Unless the whole volume of shipping passing through the canal is taken into account, there are no means of determining whether the tolls charged upon any particular vessel represents her fair proportion of the current expenditure properly chargeable against the canal. Therefore, the British government is entitled to "demand, on behalf of the British shipping, that all vessels passing through the canal, what ever their flag or character shall be taken into account in fixing the amount of the tolls."

Regarding the President's contention that the effort of the British claims would be to prevent the United States from aiding its own commerce in a way that all nations may freely do, it is said that this is not so. Equal treatment as specified in the treaty is all that the British government claims. But it does not follow that the United States may not be debarred by the treaty from granting a subsidy to certain shipping in a particular way, if the effect would be to impose on British or foreign shipping an unfair share of the burden of the up-keep of the canal or to create a discriminating prejudice to British shipping rights.

Therefore, it is held that exemption of American coastwise shipping as well as of Panama shipping clearly conflicts with the treaty guarantees of equal treatment for British and American ships and that interests of foreign nations would thereby be seriously injured in two respects: "First, in laying the entire cost of building the canal upon foreign vessels and second, in placing American coastwise trade in a preferential position as regards other shipping.

In conclusion Sir Edward reiterates his government's assertion that the provisions of the canal act as to tolls conflict with the British treaty rights and adds:

"But they recognize that persons of note in the United States whose opinions are entitled to great weight, hold that the provisions of the act do not infringe the conventional obligations by which the United States is bound, and under these circumstances they desire to state their perfect readiness to submit the question to arbitration if the government of the United States would prefer to take this course. A reference to arbitration would be rendered unnecessary if the government of the United States should be prepared to take such steps as would remove the objections to the act which his majesty's government has stated."

GUILFORD'S COURT HOUSE

Judge Charges Grand Jury With Respect to Structure

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., December 9.—In his charge to the grand jury after the opening of Superior Court here this morning Judge Harry W. Whedbee told that body that it was his opinion that a large, rich and progressive county in many ways like Guilford should have a better temple of justice. He instructed the jurors that it came within their power to recommend to the proper authorities the building of a new Court House for Guilford. "This house," he said, "may have been alright 25 years ago but you are now sadly behind and it lies within your power to not only suggest a remedy but to bring about the indictment of your board of commissioners if they should fail to comply with your suggestions."

Three of the five members of the county board heard the charge of Judge Whedbee and it was quickly given the endorsement of members of the bar and citizens of the county. Guilford, with all her progress in road building, health, agricultural and educational lines, is undoubtedly in sore need of a new Court House, the office space in the present building being totally inadequate not to mention the small and rather dingy court room.

Could Shout for Joy.

"I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart," wrote C. B. Rader, of Lewisburg, W. Va., "for the wonderful double benefit I got from Electric Bitters, in curing me of both a severe case of stomach trouble and of rheumatism from which I had been an almost helpless sufferer for ten years. It suited my case as though made just for me." For dyspepsia, indigestion, jaundice, and to rid the system of kidney poisons that cause rheumatism, Electric Bitters have no equal. Try them. Every bottle is guaranteed to satisfy. Only 50 cents at R. R. Bellamy.

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WAR THREATENED AGAIN.

Austro-Hungarian Minister Resigns—$50,000,000 Loan Negotiated.

London, Dec. 9.—No explanation is yet forthcoming of the sudden resignation of the Austro-Hungarian Minister of War, Gen. Auffenberg, and the chief of staff, Gen. Schemua. They have said their action was due to personal reasons, but coming at this time it doubtless will have a wide political significance. It had been expected that in event of war Gen. Hoetzendorf would be appointed chief of staff and his appointment now to succeed Gen. Schemua, coupled with the news of the renewal of the Dreibund and that Austria and Hungary have negotiated temporary loans of $50,000,000, cannot but have a disquieting effect on the international situation.

It is supposed that Austria wishes to exert a strong influence over the coming conference proceedings at London and especially to prevent the entry of Turkey into the Balkan Federation. The Austrian war party is inflamed against Russia in the belief that the defiant Russian attitude is due to the Franco-Russian alliance, and some of the Austrian newspapers representing the war party are urging that unless Russia ceases mobilizing the powers comprising the Triple Alliance should fall upon France and crush her before Russia is able to intervene.

However the crisis may end, the war fever is having a disastrous effect on Austro-Hungarian trade. A complete financial panic prevails throughout Galicia, where the various banks recently have paid out more than $40,000,000 to nervous depositors without stemming the run.

It was reported at Paris today that the entire Austrian fleet had concentrated at Pola, the chief naval station of Austria-Hungary.

RALEIGH AFFAIRS.

Governor-elect and Mrs. Craig Invited—Industrial News—Notes.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 9.—Governor and Mrs. W. W. Kitchin extended an invitation to Governor-elect Locke Craig and Mrs. Craig for them to spend several days this week in the Governor's mansion as their guests. However, Mrs. Craig wrote Mrs. Kitchin that circumstances are such that it will be impossible for either of them to visit the mansion before they come to Raleigh for the inauguration. Mr. and Mrs. Craig are living at the Battery Park, in Asheville.

Commissioner of Labor and Printing Shipman is rounding up the various chapters of his forthcoming report rapidly now. He expects to have the chapter on cotton, woolen and silk mills ready very soon, and has just completed the chapter of miscellaneous factories, which shows that there are 660 of this classification, the aggregate capital of 536 of them being $44,673,613. Value of plants reported by 502 factories is $20,235,998; value of output of 526 factories $86,039,562. The reported pay rolls aggregate $11,086,760 to 35,321 employes. Increase in scale of wages is reported by 54 per cent. of the factories and about half of the factories report improvement in efficiency of employes.

The Wendell Knitting Mills Co., was chartered today to establish a knitting mill at Wendell, a thriving town of Wake county, on the Norfolk Southern Railroad. The capital is $100,000 authorized and $20,000 subscribed by R. B. Whitley and others.

SHARE CUSTODY OF CHILDREN.

Supreme Court Hands Down Decision in Tillman Case.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 9.—B. R. Tillman, Jr., son of the United States Senator from South Carolina, and Mrs. Lucy Dugas, formerly the wife of Mr. Tillman, will share the custody of their two children, according to a decision handed down here today by the State Supreme Court. The two young girls have been in the care of Mrs. Dugas since 1910, at which time they were placed in her custody by the court.

Today's decision was the result of habeas corpus proceedings instituted by Mr. Tillman, in which he sought to secure possession of the children.

The decision of the court gives the father possession of the children during two months of the Summer vacation season, during half of the Christmas holidays and during one week in the Spring of each year. The mother is to have possession of the daughters, Douschka Pickens Tillman and Sarah Stark Tillman, the remainder of the time.

Both the father and mother are required by the decision to give $5,000 bonds each.

The children will not be removed from the court's jurisdiction, which will exercise general supervision over them. Counsel for the two parties will submit to the court for approval an order carrying out the arrangement.

TO WED AT NASHVILLE.

Greensboro Man to Claim Bride in Eastern Carolina.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 9.—Garland A. Ricks, eldest son of the late F. B. Ricks, left last night for Nashville, N. C., where on Thursday he is to be married to Miss Routhe Mann, of that place. A brother, John A. Ricks, who is to be best man, and Mrs. Ricks, mother of the bridegroom, will leave for Nashville tomorrow. After a honeymoon of two weeks, Mr. and Mrs. Ricks will make their home in Greensboro.

Mr. Ricks is a very popular and likeable young man and since the death of his father two years ago has been managing a part of the vast estate left by him. The elder Mr. Ricks was president of a local bank and interested in many local enterprises. He also operated a string of stores in Eastern Carolina, one of which is at Nashville.

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WORKS FLAYS BULL MOOSE

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tainted in the very beginning by putting itself in the hands of the same interests. It was managed and financed by promoters, corruptionists, and trust magnates. In all these cases money was contributed to secure the election of a man who, if elected, would be entrusted with the power of determining conclusively whether or not they should be prosecuted.

"No matter whether it was so understood or not, it was nothing more or less than buying immunity from such prosecution. They very naturally reasoned that the man who accepted their money to secure his election would not use the power their money had given him to punish them for making that money unlawfully."

Senator Works referred to the so-called Harriman contribution in the campaign fund of 1904, a fund which Harriman said Roosevelt had asked him to raise, but which Col. Roosevelt had testified was raised on Mr. Harriman's own initiative.

"It is not very material which was right or which was wrong," said Senator Works. "Harriman received his reward whether the money was raised for that purpose or not. Suits by the government were at that very time pending against some of his companies and after his contributions they were dismissed. His roads were otherwise favored by the President that his money helped to elect."

A single Presidential term, Senator Works declared, would prevent the use of patronage and the power of office in the way it is now used and would remove the opportunity a President now has to grant favors or inflict punishment upon campaign friends or enemies.

He urged that campaign contributions be made only by the State or Nation, declaring that "large campaign funds, however raised, are a dangerous menace to the free institutions of the country."

"The advocacy by the incumbent of his own re-election in the late campaign led to the most shameful campaign of crimination and recrimination between the President and ex-President that this country has ever witnessed," Senator Works continued. "Both of these candidates were overwhelmingly defeated. They both deserved defeat for this reason if for no other. The conduct of Roosevelt was particularly reprehensible. His vicious assaults on the President made it imperative for the latter, in his estimation and that of his friends, to meet on the stump the charges made against him.

"It was a fatal mistake. It lost him the respect and good will of many good people. He put himself on a level with his detractor and thus lowered his dignity and that of his office to no purpose. How much better it would have been for the country if both of them had been ineligible to re-election."

LABOR HOSTS GATHER

Southeastern Congress at Atlanta Gets Permanently Organized

Atlanta, Ga., December 9.—Permanent organization was effected today by delegates from 13 Southeastern States attending the Southeastern Labor Congress, which began sessions this afternoon. Jerome Jones, Atlanta, editor of the Journal of Labor, was elected president and W. C. Pucket, Atlanta, secretary-treasurer. A spirited debate on the admission of delegates to the congress preceded the perfecting of the permanent organization. It finally was agreed to maintain an "open forum," allowing all laboring men to have a vote in the conference. This action was taken upon the recommendation of the credentials committee, composed of one man from each of the 13 States represented.

At tonight's session of the congress, Judson King, of Philadelphia, secretary of the Initiative, Referendum and Recall League of America, delivered an address in which he outlined the history of the initiative, referendum and recall movement.

In addition to speeches by prominent National labor union officials a feature of tomorrow's session will be an address on "woman suffrage" by Mrs. Mary McLendon.

REFUSES TO ADOPT RULE.

House Gives Movement to Buy Monticello a Set-Back.

Washington, Dec. 9.—The movement to have the government acquire Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson, received a set-back today when the House by a vote of 101 to 41, refused to adopt a special rule providing for consideration of the Senate resolution authorizing the appointment of a committe to inquire into the wisdom and cost of purchasing the property from its present owner, Representative Levy, of New York.

Representative Henry, of Texas, and Representatives James, Senator-elect from Kentucky, led the fight for the rule. Representative Saunders, of Virginia and others denounced the movement, declaring it was an attempt to take Representative Levy's property from him when he had announced publicly that it was not for sale at any price. Representative Henry, in a statement tonight, gave notice that the fight "had just begun" and that if necessary "Monticello" would be acquired for the government through condemnation proceedings.

REMARKABLE RECORD.

Flesh-Forming Food That Succeeds Nearly Every Time.

A man or woman might as well starve outright as to take food into the stomach and not have it assimilated, yet in Wilmington as well as in every other town and city, there are many people who are thin, pale and seem underfed, simply because the food they eat is not assimilated, and fails to make good blood and firm flesh.

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JOHN T. BRUSH'S WILL.

Holdings in New York Club is Made a Trust Estate.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 9.—The will of John T. Brush, late owner of the New York National League baseball club, disposing of an estate estimated to be worth $1,500,000, was filed for probate today. The greater part of the Brush holdings, including the ball club, is made a trust estate and given into the care of Harry N. Hempstead, of Indianapolis, a son-in-law, and Ashley Lloyd, of Cincinnati. The will provides that these two, as trustees of the estate, may retain the holdings as long as profitable or they may dispose of them at any time.

Washington, Dec. 9.—In a telegram to Governor Mann, of Virginia, tonight Mrs. Martin W. Littleton, leader of the movement for the acquisition of "Monticello", stated that a Virginian who wished his name withheld, offered through Governor Mann to pay in cash to Representative Levy, the owner of Monticello, four times the assessed value of the property, the deed to be made in the name of the State of Virginia, which would be made the guardian of the estate.

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Real Estate and Building Account	73,298.58	Surplus and Profits	108,861.00
Cash and Reserve	62,443.03	Accrued Interest Due Depositors	4,000.00
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